

City Council Recall Threat Raised

By Isabelle Hall

Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG) warned Mayor Ken White and Councilwomen Barbara Brooks and Barbara Livingston Tuesday to support its plan for restoration of "fair, responsible and open government" or face a "housecleaning." The trio was unfazed, one of them calling CCGG "a small, grumpy group."

Presenting a six-point plan to "Restore the Heart of Carmel," the 12-member private group urged the three members of the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) who form the council majority to study and support the plan in full within the next 30 days.

"Otherwise, it raises the question of your continued ability to serve this city in the fair and balanced manner expected by the voters who elected you," said a five-page statement signed by Chairman Merv Sutton. "We are confident that Carmel-by-the-Sea voters will support a housecleaning of the council in the absence of immediate action."

While the statement never used the term, Brooks told the *Sun*, "They're really talking about recall." She charged that the statement was full of inaccuracies and represented a group of 12 people who "have their personal agenda."

White said, "I would have felt better if they had the courage to talk to me person to person. I really don't have a comment. I'm just a person trying to keep the city going."

"I think it's just a small grumpy group of people who lost the last election," Livingston commented. "I'm very suspect of CCGG, and I think their motives are political and economic even if they don't say so." She noted she was not on the council when it approved many of the items CCGG is upset about.

CCGG called for a citizen budget review commission, consideration of combining the police and fire departments, repeal of restrictive Planning Commission criteria, action on the Parking and Landlord/Tenant Committee reports; adoption of commission recommendations to restore the pre-1984 commercial zoning boundaries; and a restoration of "civility."

In a stinging rebuke to the three elected officials, CCGG accused them of each using "consistently poor judgment" and abus-

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Challenged, City Puts Off Hodges Contract Payment

Accused of trying to breach its agreement with the Hodges Trust, the Carmel City Council Tuesday postponed action on a plan to reduce the \$1.55 million debt on Rio Park by using funds set aside for its improvement.

At a brief meeting, the council, sitting as the Public Improvement Authority, voted unanimously to authorize the city's financial advisor and bond counsel for the purchase to investigate if \$483,000 in a restricted reserve fund can be used to pay down the principal to reduce the city's annual interest payments.

The meeting—only the agency's second in the past two and a half years—had been noticed as being to take action to reduce the debt from the 1990 purchase.

But members of the Hodges family questioned if it would trigger a \$250,000 penalty that the city would have to pay. They also pointed out that prepayment would cost the city an additional 1/4 of 1 percent of the excess principal.

"It appears there is a deliberate intent by the city to breach their agreements and contracts by using monies in the Acquisition and Improvement fund to pay down principal," Hodges trustee Donna H. Smith and her husband, Bob, charged. "It further casts some doubt on the legality of the whole deal in regard to its tax exempt form."

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HARVEST IS UNDERWAY in Carmel Valley's 350 acres or so of wine grapes after a summer which produced what has been called a record crop. Above Jeff Jarvis inspects the crop at Domaine deClarck, where he oversees the vines. See page 7 for a story.

Sun photo by Stan Hall

Poll Favors Payroll Cuts Over Taxes, Reducing Rio Park Debt

A majority of voters and unregistered voters alike who answered a Voice of Carmel postcard poll overwhelmingly favor reducing the size of the city's payroll and fringe benefits to balance the budget this year.

Of 1,052 persons answering the poll—a response rate of 21 percent—888 or 86 percent would cut city staff. Opposed to such cuts were 99 people or 10 percent while 41 or 4 percent were undecided.

Opposed to new taxes were 737 participants or 80 percent of those responding compared to 125 or 14 percent who would raise taxes and 55 or 6 percent undecided on the issue.

Some 698 or 68 percent thought the city should pay down its Rio Park debt by \$500,000 to reduce its annual interest payments, compared to 222 or 22 percent opposed and 102 or 10 percent undecided.

The third question on the poll, which Voice president Pat Sippel said was included at the request of Mayor Ken White, found that 458 or 44 percent of those answering thought the city should not exchange city land with property owners to

prevent residential development of remaining lots in Pescadero Canyon. Forty-one percent or 422 favored a land exchange, and 154 or 15 percent were undecided.

In a letter to the mayor and City Council, Sippel said 765 of the replies were from Carmel-by-the-Sea registered voters and 287 from property owners not registered to vote in the city. She said the poll was mailed to 3,527 registered voters and 1,461 nonregistered property owners for a total of 4,988.

Sippel wrote that Pescadero Canyon was "a complex issue and providing sufficient information for a complete understanding of the matter was difficult which probably accounts for the 15 percent undecided vote."

"Even though 44 percent of the respondents oppose a land swap as compared to 41 percent favoring such an exchange, we feel the public needs more information and clarification of the facts to be fully informed."

Members of the Friends for Pescadero Canyon had complained in advance of the poll results that the question was not

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Board Asks If Locals Should Be Used in River School Sale

By Carolyn Rice

Some Carmel Unified School District (CUSD) board members are questioning whether local Realtors and attorneys shouldn't be used rather than a San Jose consultant if River School property is eventually listed for sale.

The question came up at the board's Sept. 10 meeting as members unanimously approved a second-phase, \$4,000 contract with Enshallah, a consulting firm from San Jose which already has been paid \$8,000 for its initial investigation of the feasibility of selling the elementary school.

Under the contract the board now has with Enshallah, the firm is to list the property for a marketing fee of 3 percent of the gross sales price. Should it sell for \$6 million, as has been suggested, the firm would earn \$180,000 in commissions.

The property has not yet been listed, and board members noted they have the power to cancel the contract at any time with written notification.

Enshallah president Geraldine Steinberg told the board at its Aug. 27 meeting that a new school could be built near Carmel Middle school at the mouth of the Valley for \$5.4 million and the sale of River could cover the costs.

However, Superintendent Vance Baldwin cautioned that no plans for a new school have been drawn up so the cost is not yet known.

"I am pleased with the work they did on phase one," said board member Gary Gray. He said he thought the company, which has experience selling and developing surplus school sites in the state, was more qualified than local people to research the possible sale of the school. "But the local talent shouldn't be left out," said Gray, an attorney.

Board member Frank Pinney questioned if an advisory group shouldn't be created so that local people could participate in the process. "Gary has made a valid point,"

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LETTERS

Write the State Water Board

Initial hearings on water rights to the Carmel River, held recently in Sacramento by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), showed that:

1. Underground water in Carmel Valley is indeed "underflow" of the river and therefore subject to allocation by the state, balancing the needs of water users against the "public trust" - that means the water needed to maintain the health of the river and its associated trees, vegetation and fauna. Long-term residents well know that over-drafting of water to serve growth on the Monterey Peninsula has seriously damaged the river and its environs. The massive Allocation EIR prepared by our Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD) admits that the mitigations now envisioned will be insufficient.

2. The local water rights claimed by Cal-Am Water Co. are shaky, and will require a complete re-assessment by the State.

The SWRCB needs to hear from us, before the end of September, that action on the allocation, especially the public trust aspect, is urgently needed if the Carmel River is to be saved. Some are arguing that the proposed new dam will solve the problem, but that is at least 10 years away, probably more. Be aware, also, that when resident voting divisions are adopted for the MPWMD next year, decisions may well be reached by a majority of directors who have no particular commitment to the health of the Carmel River. Write today to the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights, Box 2000, Sacramento Calif., 95812.

Robert Greenwood
Carmel Valley

No Time for Petty Name-Calling

In my more than 20 years as a resident of the Carmel area, I have attended many City Council and Planning Commission meetings and participated on city committees. I have tried to maintain an impartial, objective position with regard to city concerns and have refrained from becoming a member of any group, including the Carmel Residents Association, Voice of Carmel, or Carmel Citizens for Good Government, in order to maintain my objectivity.

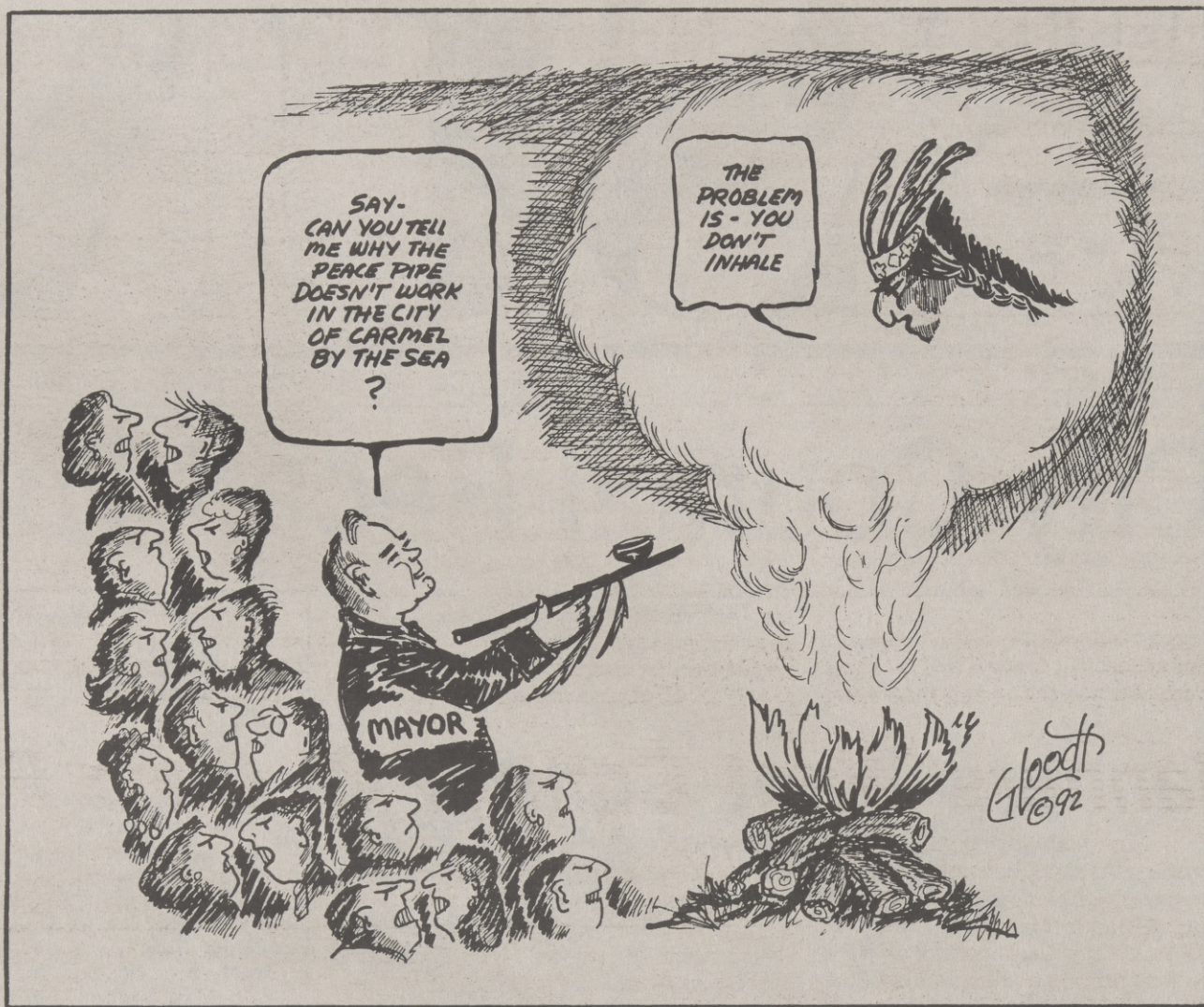
However, I feel that I must respond to the recent inflammatory statements of the CRA which has made unwarranted accusations against two long-time residents and council members, Bob Fischer and Phil Coniglio with references to McCarthyism and witch hunts. Bob Fischer and Phil Coniglio are sincere, dedicated members of the City Council who have only the best interests of Carmel at heart and who give much of their time to seeing that Carmel remains unique.

I thought that I had recently seen the beginnings of a spirit of cooperation between the CRA, CBA, other groups, and Carmel residents as well as business interests to work together. Could I have been sadly mistaken? Mayor Ken White ran for election with an objective of being a peacemaker between the interests of the residents and business community. I continue to support him in this. In these times of economic hardship and the difficult budget decisions facing the city, it is time for all of us to begin to work together for what is good for Carmel, its preservation as the unique city that it is and not engage in petty name-calling.

Melvin B. Kline
Carmel

CV Road Fees Won't Do It

Here's the scenario: elected officials listen to hours and hours of public debate; receive numerous documents, studies, opinion polls and reports; then proceed to pass legislation which angers almost everyone, proposes to spend public money on improvements not needed or desired by anyone, and fails to address the original problem altogether. Are we talking about Washington, D.C.? Sacramento? No! We're talking about the Board of Supervisors in Salinas on Aug. 25, dealing



with the questions of moratorium and financing of improvements to Carmel Valley Road.

Their solution? 1) Impose a hefty fee temporarily on new development only (this to avoid a true moratorium) which results in a de facto moratorium on all but those wealthy enough to buy their way out of this constraint; 2) Apply this fee beyond the Carmel Valley Master Plan boundaries (it's only half a slap to Cachagua); 3) Pay for safety improvements only out of whatever fees are paid (including three pedestrian overpasses in Mid Valley) which will not improve traffic flows sufficiently to avoid moratorium.

Incredible, isn't it, how they managed to miss the target on every single point! Not in anyone's wildest dreams is it expected new development fees will be paid sufficiently to build any of these safety improvements! Did someone forget there is and will continue to be a moratorium already in place within the Carmel Valley Master Plan area (because of the water management district construction moratorium)? This means only those people outside the targeted planning area who are still financially able to develop their property will be paying for improvements to mid Carmel Valley Road, which will not solve the problem that caused the traffic trigger in the first place! Slick, hey?

There is no correlation between a house being built in Cachagua and a pedestrian overpass to Carmelo School. Even the strongest proponents of shutting down all development in Carmel Valley admit this latest manifestation of bad legislation and bad government will not stand the slightest legal challenge. How much of our money will the supervisors waste this time in pointless litigation? It seems to me we simply can not afford any more substandard government.

Ileene Crane-Franks
Carmel Valley

Sexual Harassment Is Unacceptable

Sunday afternoon at the Community Center pool I watched four college-aged men harassing the young (she's only 14) female lifeguard. They moved in close, overwhelmed her with unwanted attention, repeatedly asked for her phone number even after she said no, pressed her for dates. These guys were not "just flirting" or being "friendly." In fact, there was nothing friendly about their advances, and the young woman was obviously uncomfortable with them.

Young men need to be told that this kind of attention is not flattering or funny. It is abusive and illegal. Sexual harassment is a form of aggression towards women. Men who indulge in it are not demonstrating their prowess, but rather are exposing themselves as frightened and insecure males who are trying to reassure themselves by intimidating women.

The behavior I saw and heard from these young men was completely unacceptable, and my oldest son tells me they were at it before I got to the pool. What I want to know is why, out of more than a dozen parents in and around the pool, was I the only one who stood up to these guys and asked them to stop? When I did, the most aggressive of the four yelled what sounded like a string of obscenities and insults at me in a language I don't speak. I didn't back down, and when he was tired of trying to shout me down he and his friends moved away. Within minutes they had moved in on the other young female lifeguard and started the same routine. I had to go to the senior lifeguard twice before he would even go speak to these guys.

It was scary confronting them. They were big and obnoxious, and when I asked them to leave the girl alone they were

loud, rude and intimidating. I looked around the pool at the adults from my community and I wondered, if these guys got really ugly, would anybody back me up? Or would everyone just not notice, the way they had just not noticed the sexual harassment of three teenaged girls going on right in front of them?

My son noticed. He is 8. He remembered the one who yelled at me because he had been at the pool before, acting the same way, last week end. I'll bet your kids noticed too. What I want this community to know is that - in our children's eyes, if we don't confront this kind of behavior we are condoning it, and allowing it to be a model for them.

That's not o.k. with me. If it's not o.k. with you, and you are looking for a healthier model of male-female relations you might enjoy *The Chalice* and *The Blade* by Riane Eisler.

A concerned mom of four boys.

Jan Saxton
Carmel Valley

Severance Is Just the Start

How can a city which is suffering budget woes (whoas!) justify paying off employees who wish to voluntarily leave the employ of the city? Thanks to your story regarding this plan, the public has learned of the council's approval—using the Consent Calendar—of such a policy. The plan which became policy was never aired in a public meeting and yet calls for the expenditure of a tidy sum of money in order to reduce staff.

Missing from the policy is a condition relative to minimum length of service in order to be eligible to apply or qualify. In reading the policy there is no qualifying condition(s) under which this policy can/may be utilized.

Employee organizations have negotiated Employment Memorandums of Understanding with the city. It would be folly for them not to include provisions for reduction in force situations. One wonder what those provisions are.

In summary, Policy C92-03 states that severance pay shall equal four months of base salary up to \$15,000 plus payment "in full for all accrued time earned during the course of employment to include 100% of vacation time, holidays, compensatory time, general leave and management leave as well as a percentage of accrued sick leaves as provided by the applicable MOU."

Now, I ask you, is it financially sound to spend this kind of money in order to save money? Keep in mind that \$15,000 is just a start.

Again, thank you for calling this action to the public's attention.

Phyllis Howard
Carmel-by-the-Sea

Happy Retirement to the Dicks

Your article (*Sun*, Aug. 27) about the retirement of the Dicks from their Carmel Valley Egg Ranch was a delightful tale about two outstanding business people. They are honest, kind, trusting, gracious, courteous and helpful.

How good it will be to have them remain in our community in their retirement. May it bring them happiness and joy. We need more people like the Dicks in our community who provide great satisfaction to their customers.

Beatrice Schoenweiser
Carmel

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Scientist Warns Mountain Lions Living Closer to Man

By Stan Hall

A standing-room-only crowd at the Carmel Valley Community Center Friday night heard a retired federal scientist suggest that mountain lions, like coyotes in many areas, are becoming urbanized and living closer to man.

"One way to reduce the threat is to stay out of lion country, but you live in it," said Don Neal, formerly with the U. S. Forest Service and now a wildlife consultant from Fresno. He cited Carmel Valley as an example of how more and more people are living in or on the edge of the lion's normal habitat.

"They are a small threat to humans, but it may be getting larger. There has been an increase in reports of attacks on humans," he added.

He said—and many members of the audience agreed—that lions seem to be less wary of humans, more were being sighted in all settings and they increasingly were showing up in urban and suburban neighborhoods.

Although Neal told the 100 or so people that their chances of being killed by lightning were 800 percent greater than being

killed by a lion, he offered a list of precautions:

- If confronted by a lion, make yourself look as large as possible.
- Do not turn and run; the lion likely will pursue if you do.
- If confronted while accompanied by children, pick them up and hold them.
- It probably is best to try to maintain eye contact with the cat.
- Fight back if necessary, using rocks, switches and limbs.
- Be alert for a second lion.

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A STANDING-ROOM-ONLY crowd turned out at the Carmel Valley Community Center Friday night for a meeting on mountain lion safety. Don Neal, a retired federal scientist, suggested the lions, like coyotes in many areas, are becoming more urbanized and living closer to humans. Sun photo by Stan Hall

Planners Want Control Of Civic Projects Again

By Isabelle Hall

After being bypassed for two years on design review of public projects, the Carmel Planning Commission asked the City Council to give it back control of such controversial projects as First Murphy Park and mini-parks.

At a session full of "housekeeping" items, the commission also insisted that its hearings for development permits continue to be advertised in newspapers, argued over changes to enforcement ordinances and voted to require a six-month review of use permits only under special circumstances.

Planning Director Diane White was asked to draft a resolution calling for the commission to be the lead agency on design issues as promised by Mayor Ken White at the last administrative committee held between the leadership of the council and commission.

If approved by the full council, it would, in effect, rescind a Dec. 4, 1990, policy

whereby the council took the sole responsibility for all public informational and improvement projects.

"It gives the city administrator a tremendous amount of leeway," Vice Chairman Jack Kennedy said of the 1990 policy. "I'm certain the prior city administrator was very comfortable but I'm not sure the present administrator is."

White said the commission should ask the council to identify specific types of improvements that should be the obligation of the commission, saying, "It's time for some broad guidelines."

"When any design element has a significant impact on the way the city looks, we should look at it," Kennedy said.

Ramsey said former Administrator Doug Schmitz "said that public works and improvements should be handled by the council and the administrator. It was removed from the Planning Commission, and we were not able to even look at it."

"We're given the purview when it's a private development but not a city project," commissioner Brian Congleton said. "It would make the city look good if it went through the same long burdensome process that all private applicants have to go through. It also would relieve the City Council of minor projects."

Commissioner Ed Jordan said, "I wouldn't waste my time telling the city administrator to bring his sidewalks up here for clearance. I think that's why he's hired."

Congleton argued that the Murphy Park sidewalk was "a major project. The city administrator felt he had the authority to determine what those sidewalks should be, not us."

Commissioner Lindsay Hanna urged no changes in the existing policy. He said, "If it's public property, the city should take care of it."

But, after a somewhat confusing argument, the vote was 6-0 to ask for a policy change but leave virtually intact a lengthy statement titled "Policy and Standards for Design Improvements to Public Ways" that became city policy in 1990.

One paragraph of the policy was amended to give the city administrator responsibility for work only on "in-kind" sidewalk construction.

A standard provision in all use permits requiring City Code Enforcer Molly Erickson to check on the business owner's compliance after six months was amended to make it a requirement only in special circumstances. Erickson said the only time she ever checked on compliance was on a complaint basis.

"I wonder if this is a tempest in a teapot?" commented Congleton.

But when the staff urged adoption of a change to the Municipal Code on notices of public hearings, the commission balked. White said it would save \$1,000 to \$1,500

a year if notices were not required to be posted in newspapers. Instead, she said such notices would be posted on the site of a proposed development, at the library, City Hall and the Post Office, and would be delivered to adjoining property occupants.

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\$7.3 Million Carmel Budget Proposed, Down \$1.1 Million

Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio announced Wednesday he has proposed a fiscal year 1992-93 budget of \$7,299,063, down nearly \$1.1 million from the previous year, with staff cuts and new fees.

In a brief statement, D'Ambrosio said the budget, to be reviewed by the City Council Tuesday, offers six approaches for balancing income and spending. They include new fees and increases to existing fees, alternatives for use of funds reimbursed from the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), elimination of community programs and services, grants, the Carmel Special Taxi program and the downsizing of city staff.

D'Ambrosio declined to elaborate. His assistant, Financial Services Coordinator Sandi Davenport, said they could not tell the press or public any more details because, "We haven't gone over the defined figures with the council. The council will get it Thursday. We can't really respond to fine tuning until the council looks at it."

Davenport did say that three employees have said they wanted to take advantage of a severance pay offer made two weeks ago that would save the city about

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After 21 Years

Ray Lindsay to Retire from Post Office

Ray Lindsay, a fixture behind the counter at the Carmel Valley Post Office with his pony tail and graying beard, will retire at the end of the month after 21 years on the job.

Saying he figures he knows everyone in the Village "at least by sight," Lindsay, 57, said he was taking early retirement offered by the postal service to reduce its ranks.

Under the terms, he will get a pension of 48.5 percent of his yearly salary plus a lump sum payment of \$16,000, based on his 21 years with the postal service and four years in the Air Force.

A photographer who says he has been learning for the past three decades, Lindsay said in his retirement he hoped to create a new career for himself with a camera.

"I'm good," he said with no sign of false modesty. As if to prove his point, he said the Carmel Valley Library would show work spanning 30 years of his photography during the month of November.

He said the photos on display would include five which he has sold, plus one winner from a juried show at the Marjorie Evans Gallery at Sunset Center in Carmel.

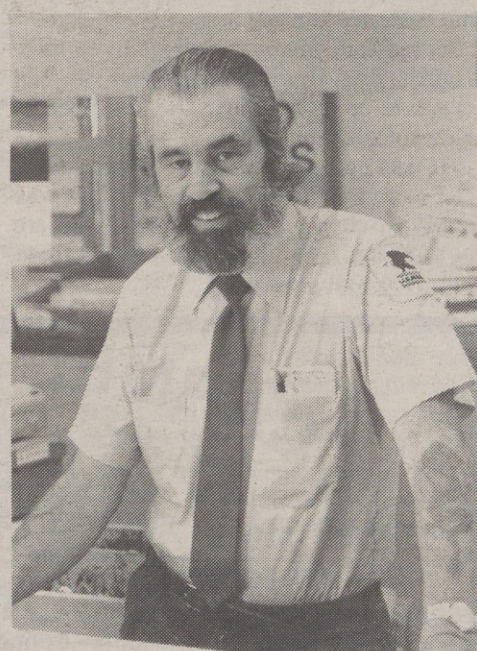
Asked what his specialty was in photography, he said, "lately, I'm into statues and patterns."

He said if he could not find employment associated with photography, he would seek a full time job in sales of some kind.

Asked if he were the senior member of the Carmel Valley Post Office in terms of seniority, Lindsay said only route carrier Tom Augustus had been there longer "and only by a few days."

A native of the Bay Area, Lindsay said he and his wife intended to remain in the Valley after his retirement Oct. 1. His wife is a counselor at the Community Hospital Recovery Center in Monterey. They have a son and a daughter.

Lindsay allowed he had had a checkered



RAY LINDSAY

career, working as a hairdresser and a merchant seaman before joining the Post Office. When he started 21 years ago, the Post Office was located in the line of shops on the south side of Carmel Valley Road where Carmel Valley Cleaners is now located, he said.

A reporter told him that he had mentioned to a resident that he was going to interview Lindsay on his upcoming retirement and the response had been: "Say hello to the world's oldest living hippie for me."

"I'm not a hippie. I'm a beatnik," Lindsay said with mock seriousness. "Hippies still have pimples as far as I'm concerned."

Asked what he meant, he replied: "I'm curious—curious about everything, and I never get bored."

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SHERIFF'S LOG

BIG SUR. A Carmel Valley woman reported bedding was taken from her Coast Lands home at Big Sur sometime since February. 9/8.

BIG SUR. A man from Big Sur Garage reported a Los Angeles woman and her boyfriend left without paying a \$125 bill for the installation of an alternator belt. He said they claimed the car was under warranty, and BMW would pay for it. 9/8.

SOUTH COAST. A man from Vallejo said a "hippie type" brandished a knife at him 4 miles south of Lucia. He said he thought the man was the owner of an old Dodge Power Wagon. 9/8.

Back Pack Returned

SOUTH COAST. An Ohio man turned in a back pack he found at Garrapata Beach. It contained clothing, credit cards and ID indicating it belonged to a woman from Manhattan Beach. 9/8.

RIO ROAD. A man reported finding his neighbor's door on Rio Road open, but nothing seemed disturbed. 9/8.

PALO COLORADO CANYON. A Man reported the loss of some \$2,3000 when someone took a Kenworth truck radiator, a welder and a winch were taken from his yard some time in the past three months. 9/9.

BIG SUR. A Deputy reported noticing a stolen 1992 Dodge Shadow parked across from River Inn and having it towed back to the dealership. He said the left front fender had been damaged. 9/9.

VILLAGE. An open door was discovered at Tom Ewen Woodworking, but nothing was amiss. 9/9.

Dispute with Flagman

VALLEY. A Carmel Valley woman reported getting into an argument with a traffic control person at Carmel Valley and Rancho San Carlos Roads during construction. The dispute was referred to the CHP and the County Public Works Department. 9/9.

SOUTH COAST. Fired charred about three acres on the west side of Highway 1 a mile and a half south of Lucia, starting about 11 p.m. It was controlled by the Big Sur Volunteer Fire Brigade, the California Department of Forestry, the sheriff's office and the U. S. Forest Service. 9/9.

SOUTH COAST. A Hempstead, N. Y., woman telephoned to report the loss of a blue nylon camera bag containing several rolls of exposed film somewhere along the coast during the last week in August. 9/10.

Airplane Fuel Stolen

VILLAGE. A Carmel Valley man reported the theft of fuel from his airplane at Carmel Valley Airport. 9/10.

CACHAGUA. A Monterey man said he was having a dispute with a tenant at his Cachagua property over the ownership of the appliances in it. 9/10.

CARMEL. A resident reported a dog had been left chained to a VW van parked on Pescadero. The owner couldn't be found. 9/10.

VALLEY. An anonymous telephone caller said a juvenile who lives on Via Mariquita owns a pellet gun and suggested he may be the person shooting dogs. 9/10.

LAURELES GRADE. A woman said a handyman may have taken the keys to a trailer on her property on Los Laureles Grade. 9/10.

CARMEL. A man who lives on Edgefield Place said he found a neighbor's door standing wide open. It was secured, and a deputy notified the owner in San Mateo. 9/10.

Rottweiler Draws Complaint

CARMEL. A man who lives on Outlook Drive reported a large Rottweiler belonging to a man who lives on Canada Lane was barking and disturbing his sleep. Unable to contact the dog's owner, the deputy notified animal control. 9/10.

CARMEL. An official at Carmel High School said three students were fighting. No charges were filed, the deputy deciding it was "mutual combat." 9/11.

CARMEL. A man said his car was vandalized while parked outside his home on

San Luis Avenue and the stereo stolen from it. 9/11.

CARMEL HIGHLANDS. A man who lives on Highway 1 said three pieces of jewelry were stolen a month earlier when his house was being held open by a Realtor. 9/11.

PALO COLORADO CANYON. A man said someone got into his mailbox and opened his mail. 9/9.

Pit Bulls Chase Man

VALLEY. A man said two Pit Bulls chased him into his house on Canada Drive. They were gone when a deputy arrived. 9/11.

VILLAGE. A clerk at Kasey's reported a drunk Mexican male was in the store; he was gone when a deputy arrived. 9/11.

VILLAGE. An employee at Carmel Valley Market claimed someone threw five bags of trash in the store's dumpster without permission. 9/11.

CARMEL. A Carmel man was charged with DUI after being stopped for driving erratically onto Highway 1 from Pebble Beach. 9/11.

VILLAGE. A woman reported the doors to two vehicles parked outside her County Club Drive home were found open in the morning, but nothing was taken. 9/12.

Diamond Ring Lost

CARMEL RANCHO. A Pebble Beach woman said she lost a diamond ring while shopping at Brinton's. It contained one large diamond and 25 small ones, she said. 9/12.

VILLAGE. A man said he found an obscene message taped to his car outside his Paso Hondo home when he went out in the morning, but said he thought it might have been put on the wrong vehicle. 9/12.

CARMEL. A man complained people were loitering outside his Valley View home. A deputy said he contacted the people and they moved their party inside. 9/12.

VALLEY. A man at Quail Meadows reported he saw a flashlight moving around on a hill northeast of his home. Deputies found nothing. 9/12.

VALLEY. An anonymous caller complained about a barking dog on Canada Lane. Contacted, the owner told her dog, "Spike," to be quiet. The deputy said the dog was an on-going problem. 9/12.

VALLEY. A security company found an open door at All Saints' School, but nothing was found to be amiss. 9/12.

Tires Deflated

VILLAGE. A man, complaining he had received middle-of-the-night calls the past five nights in which the caller said nothing, reported he found the two front tires on his Jeep deflated in the morning. 9/13.

VALLEY. An owner of Shanty Malones' said four chairs had been stolen from the patio. Deputies said they had no suspects. 9/13.

Supervisors Reject Cal-Am Trail Appeal

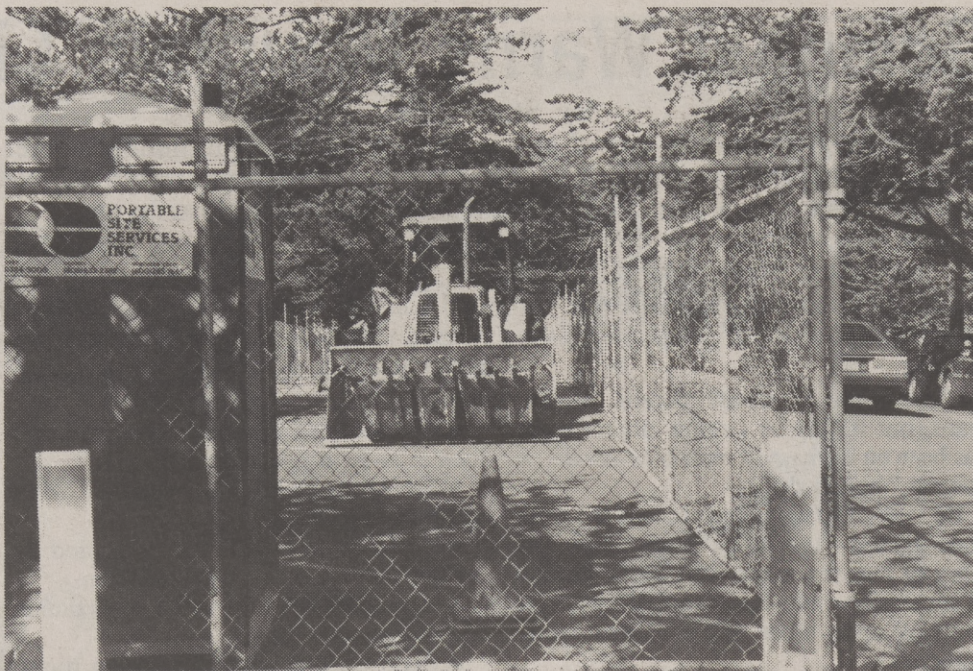
County supervisors refused Tuesday to grant an appeal which would have required Cal-Am to grant a trail easement as a condition of getting approval to build an 824-square foot addition at its filtration plant in upper Carmel Valley.

Acting unanimously, the board turned down appeals filed by Gary Tate for the regional park district and Rod Mills on behalf of the Carmel Valley Trails Association.

The board acted after Walter Wong, director of the County Environmental Health Department, testified that chlorine gas and other hazardous materials were stored at the filter plant and nothing should be done to encourage access to the 156-acre site.

The County's legal department also argued that there was no real connection—"nexus" is the in word—between the small addition and a trail.

The filter plant site straddles the Carmel River and is located between Stonepine Inn and the Sleepy Hollow subdivision.



HEAVY EQUIPMENT awaits near Carmel Beach for the start of work Tuesday to lay new water and sewer lines up Ocean Avenue. The project is expected to take about 30 days to complete.
Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

Young Oriental Robs Carmel Bank; Plaza Cafe "Non-Robbery" Solved

A young oriental man wearing black, horned rim glasses robbed the Carmel branch of Wells Fargo Bank of an undisclosed amount of money Saturday.

Detective Pete Poitras of the Carmel police said the man, possibly a Filipino, handed a teller a note saying he was robbing the bank and escaped with "not a large amount" of money. The robber was described as between 18 and 25.

It was the third bank robbery this year in Carmel, with Poitras taking pains to note that the man convicted of the previous two robberies now is in federal prison.

At the same time, Poitras said two young Monterey women had been charged with grand theft in what originally was reported as an armed robbery at the Plaza Cafe Aug. 29.

Charges were filed Monday against Tonya Humiston, 21, and Mary Marcuson, 24, by the district attorney's office, Poitras said. Marcuson allegedly walked out of the cafe in Carmel Plaza with just over \$3,000, and Humiston, a cashier at the restaurant, reported she had been robbed by a woman who indicated she had a gun in her purse.

Poitras said Marcuson allegedly wore a disguise, and Humiston reported she had been held up by a woman she described as being considerably older.

"It was no robbery at all," Poitras said, "and there was no weapon." He said it was simply a scheme by the women, who are roommates, to steal money from Humiston's employer.

Asked how police discovered the scheme, he said, "it didn't sound like it made sense from the start. It was a highly unusual set of circumstances that made us suspicious."

The man in the robbery at Wells Fargo was described as being medium build, having a pock-marked face and wearing a black sweater or sweatshirt with no buttons on the front.

Poitras said it was not known whether he escaped on foot or in a vehicle. Other customers and other employees were in the bank at the time of the robbery, but "it was very quiet" and they were not aware of it, he said.

The robbery occurred at 2:04 p.m., and Poitras said it was the only bank still open in Carmel on Saturday afternoon. With the investigation continuing, he said investigators hoped that surveillance cameras in the bank had caught the robber on film, but would not know for sure until later in the week.

Chapel Presents Series

For four Sunday's starting Sept. 20, the Carmel Valley Community Chapel will offer adult education sessions on breaking the cycle of domestic violence. The sessions will start at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Village Drive and Paso Hondo in Carmel Valley Village and during the series, the church's mission efforts will focus on the YWCA Shelter for Battered Women and Children.

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Better Chance of Finding Work Draws Hispanics to CV Village

By Carolyn Rice

Juan drives to Camel Valley Village from his home in Salinas every day to join about 80 other Hispanic day laborers who congregate around Kasey's Convenience Store awaiting a day's work. Three or four days a week, he gets a job, usually in construction, gardening or washing windows.

He and the others who wait in the center of the Village, closely eyeing each passing car to see if the occupant is looking for a laborer for the day, come because they heard from other Hispanics that it was a good place to find work.

If Juan is among the lucky ones, he will be picked up and taken to a job that pay \$8 to \$10 an hour. On a good day, about half of the group is lucky, one worker estimated.

Valley resident Pat McAnaney, who is fluent in Spanish, recently helped the Sun interview some of the men by serving as a translator. They come to Carmel Valley Village from Salinas, Monterey, Marina, Seaside, Prunedale and even as far away as South County, they said.

"Nobody works in Salinas," said Juan, a 35-year-old man who asked to be identified just by his first name. He said about 200 men gather in front of Monte Mart in Salinas, but most of them have a hard time landing jobs. They mainly are picked up to work in the fields. Because of a strong union presence there, it's harder for them to find construction jobs, he said.

"I come every day. I have my own car and get here by 6:30 or 7 (a.m.)," he said. He works from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., estimating that on average someone hires him for three or four days a week.

How to handle such congregations of laborers is controversial, not just in the Village, but in many areas throughout the state and in the West. In the Village, some residents and businessmen complain because no sanitary facilities are available for the men to use. Others find them intimidating in such large numbers.

On the other hand, the men do fill a need, often taking difficult or dirty jobs that others will not take. Those who use them frequently compliment them on being good workers and say for the most part they are law abiding.

The men do constitute a part of the so-called underground economy. They are paid mainly in cash, pay no taxes and receive no government benefits.

One of the men interviewed by the Sun noted that in the 18 months he had been coming to the Village, he had never seen anyone of any nationality other than Hispanic join the waiting group.

Juan is typical of many of the men who wait because he has a family—his wife and four boys—in San Luis Potosí, Mexico. His family lived with him in Salinas for a year, he said, "but it cost too much to stay."

Juan communicates well in English. He said he took English classes for about 18 months at Alisal School. "It's helpful for getting work," he said. "I learn more from the bosses."

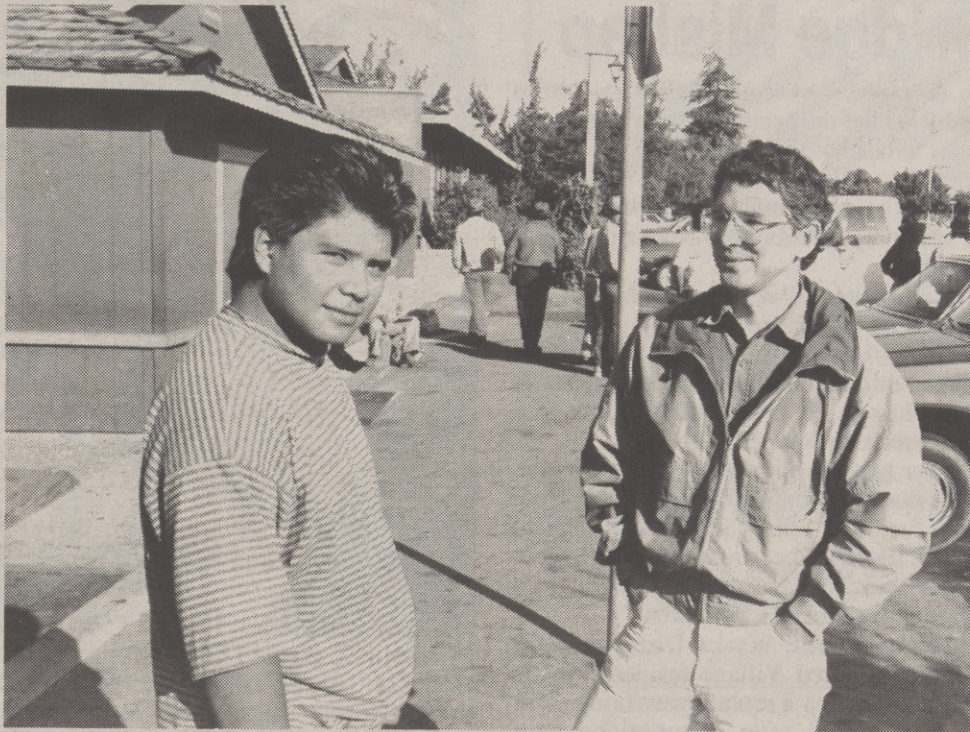
Juan said not too many of the 80 men who gather daily in the Village speak English. William Giles who has a photography studio in the Village and is bilingual, teaches English to Hispanic workers at his studio on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Giles said sometimes he has two, sometimes a much larger group, and on some nights no students.

Juan has been in the United States for two years and plans to stay two or three more years. He has built two houses in Mexico for his family and wants to earn enough money to build two more. "Then I'm going home."

Juan, who has a fruit stand in Mexico, said he lives here the year around, but many men move back to Mexico from November until April when fewer jobs are available.

"The number of men who come here (Carmel Valley Village) will really drop during those months," he said.

A man named Faustino approached McAnaney to tell of an unhappy experience he had in Carmel Valley Village. He said he did \$300 worth of yard work for a lady



JOSE ORTIZ COMES to the Carmel Valley Village each day to look for work. Ortiz, one of about 80 Hispanics who congregate at DelFino Place daily, spoke with Pat McAnaney, a local resident who translated for *The Sun*.

Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

who lives on Lupin Lane, and she handed him a check in payment. He tried to explain to her he wanted cash because he couldn't cash the check, but she became angry and tore it up.

Not having a green card—the legal right to stay in the country—Faustino said he was reluctant to seek legal recourse. McAnaney told the laborer that he would talk to the woman and see if the matter could be resolved.

"It may have been a communication problem," McAnaney said.

Because the laborers coming to Carmel Valley get work more often than not, more and more are attracted. "Too many Mexicans are coming up here. There's too much competition," said Victor, who told McAnaney that he was 32.

About 9 a.m. Monday, about 40 men were still standing on DelFino Place waiting for jobs. Several men quickly approached each car which parked in the area to see if the driver was looking for workers. Victor said the men usually leave by noon if they have not found work for the day.

Victor said he had a house in Hidalgo, but gave it to his grandmother. When he earns enough money to build a house for his family—a wife and two daughters age 8 and 1—he will go back to Mexico. "I saw them in July," he said. "I usually go back about every six months."

The men who gather in Carmel Valley come from all over Mexico, according to Victor. The majority of them have their green cards, he said. But some still "scatter like rabbits" when immigration officials show up, despite their legal status, he said.

Victor said he installed shock absorbers on vehicles in Mexico, but he can not get a similar job here because he does not have a high school diploma. As more jobs become available for people in Mexico with better wages in a few years, people will probably go back, he said.

He looks forward to being able to return, he said. Right now, when he goes for a visit, his brothers and friends want to come back to the States with him, but it causes "too much people in one apartment," he explained. In some cases, the men said as many as six of them shared a small unit.

Jose Ortiz, a 19-year-old who lives in Seaside, has been coming to the Valley looking for day jobs for about 18 months. He agreed that the people who speak English have the advantage when it comes to getting work.

"They usually choose the ones that speak English," he said of the people who hire the workers—contractors, farmers and homeowners mainly. But even the ones who know English often don't get work, and others, seeing that, don't care whether they learn it or not, he explained.

He said he finds jobs about one or two days a week to help support his family which includes five children. Since

1986, the family has moved back and forth from Mexico, but he doesn't miss his homeland.

"The wages are pretty low," he said. "That's why people come." He learned English while attending Seaside High School. He did not graduate but is thinking of going back to school and getting a diploma.

"I would like to work in construction or painting," he said.

Ortiz said he has never seen any person of another nationality join the Hispanics waiting for work.

SPCA Shop Needs Volunteers

The SPCA Benefit Shop in Carmel Valley Village needs volunteers to help man the popular resale store.

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Caution Signs Go Up after Boy Hurt in Another Bridge Mishap

Seven-year-old Chris Smith suffered two broken bones in his left wrist and cuts that required 15 stitches over his left eye in a third highly visible bike accident on Rosie's Bridge in Carmel Valley Village.

The boy crashed Friday afternoon on his way home from school. On Monday, county workers installed signs at the narrow, steel-floored bridge alerting drivers to be aware of pedestrians. They also painted new traffic divider lines in the middle of the bridge, added lines on the side of the road and repainted the 25 mile per hour speed limit sign on the roadway near the bridge.

The injured boy's father, Richard Smith, said his son was going faster than he should have coming south down the hill on Esquiline Road toward the bridge and then could not use the cement middle portion of it because a car was approaching.

"He was about halfway across the bridge when he lost it."

Smith said his son broke two bones in his left wrist and needed 15 stitches near his eye to close cuts on his face where he hit the metal bridge grating. The accident occurred just as the Carmel Valley Volunteer Fire Department was beginning

an emergency evacuation drill in Robles Del Rio, and the accident kept fire engines from crossing the bridge for 10 to 15 minutes.

Smith said he expected his son to return to school by Tuesday and be in a cast for a month.

Two other Village children were injured on the bridge in highly publicized prior accidents. Chris Buich, 10, was injured on in a bicycle wreck on August 3. Cara Hussey, 10, broke both her arms in a bike wreck on Sept. 28, 1991.

After her son was hurt, Buich's mother, Gabriela, gathered 1,000 signatures from local residents asking for the replacement of the 1946 bridge, prompting Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman to hold a town meeting on Rosie's replacement.

County Public Works Director Gerry Gromko assured Village residents at the meeting Sept. 3 a replacement bridge will be constructed after negotiations with residents resulted in an acceptable design. He said construction is scheduled for April, 1994.

He also promised at the same time that he would erect new signs and paint new line lines at the bridge to try to make it safer until the new structure is completed.

Buich told the *Sun* she is looking into having a bike rodeo this fall to teach children bicycle riding safety. She said the sheriff's department is interested in helping, and she hopes to get Tularcitos School involved. "We've got to get these kids informed," she said.

Stew Clough, who operates a plumbing business near the bridge, said until it is replaced, parents need to instruct their children to stop and walk their bikes across the span over the Carmel River. He also suggested parents do periodic safety checks on their children's bicycles.

He said he favors a bike rodeo which will teach kids hand signals and help them learn the rules of the road. "Parents should make it a community project to instruct children how to safely ride bicycles," he said.

Gorda Jade Festival Set Oct. 2

Thirty artists and vendors will present jade, wood and stone sculpture and jewelry at the second annual Gorda Jade Festival in Gorda Oct. 2, 3 and 4.

There also will be live music, clowns, a barbecue and a raffle, with each artisan donating a piece of artwork for the drawing.



PLANNING STRATEGY, Assistant Chief Bill Parham and Battalion Chief Pat Dowd of Carmel Valley Volunteer Fire Department confer with Bob Townsend of the California Department of Forestry during an evacuation drill of Robles Del Rio. Twenty agencies joined the local department for a test of its emergency preparedness plan Friday. Below, Sgt. Bob Burke talks with Roger Williams of Carmel Valley, head of the Sheriff's Emergency Assistance Team (SEAT), during the drill which simulated an explosive wildlands fire in Robles neighborhoods. Looking on are two California Highway Patrolmen. *Sun photos by Stan Hall*

On Rosie's Bridge

Bike Wreck Adds Realism to Fire Drill

Another bicycle accident on Rosie's Bridge added an unexpected touch of realism Friday to an emergency evacuation drill conducted by the Carmel Valley Fire Department with help from some 20 other agencies.

Just as the mock drill simulating a wildlands fire and evacuation of some Robles Del Rio neighborhood was getting underway, a child fell from a bicycle on the bridge and an emergency ambulance had to be called.

Battalion Chief Pat Dowd, who was in charge of the simulated evacuation, said the accident blocked "ingress and egress" over Rosie's Bridge for 15 to 20 minutes, delaying the arrival of fire engines at the mock fire scene.

"We couldn't get the engines in because the child had gone down," Dowd told the *Sun*. "But that's the kind of thing that happens in a real emergency."

(See a separate story on the bicycle accident on this page.)

Officials taking part in the evacuation exercise which involved 13 fire agencies and a half dozen police and volunteer groups expressed general satisfaction with the results. But they stressed a final assessment would await a critique at which information sheets from each of the agencies would be evaluated.

Assistant Chief Bill Parham, serving as operations manager with Bob Townsend of the California Department of Forestry, said he was pleased with the way the unified command had worked during the two-hour exercise.

"We also had a good response from our mutual aid partners," he said, singling out the area cities who participated and noting that some of them might have to pay overtime because of it.

Valley businessman Roger Williams was on hand in his role as head of the Sheriff's

Emergency Assistance Team (SEAT). Some SEAT members were in the neighborhoods going from door-to-door in a simulation of an evacuation drill with firemen.

At one point Sheriff's Sgt. Bob Bryant told Williams, "It's gone from an advisory to a mandatory evacuation. We've got to get the people out."

Capt. Jeff Frye, who planned the drill, noted that the danger of fire in the neighborhoods south of the river was real. Evoking memories of the Oakland and Pebble Beach fires, he said, "the Central Coast has the potential for another serious wildlands fire each and every summer."

The area chosen for the drill was particularly challenging. In addition to the narrow Rosie's Bridge leading to it, Frye noted it was an area of some 400 homes nestled in rolling to steep hillsides, almost all of it covered with a canopy of live oaks.

The drill provided Carmel Valley firefighters and other taking part practice in setting up an incident command post and the activation of an evacuation center. Frye said the drill also was used to educate homeowners in the role they should play in protecting their own property.

He stressed that each home should have a "defensible" fire space of at least 30 feet around it. Leaves and needles should be cleared from roofs and gutters, overhanging limbs should be trimmed and access drives and roads should be clear, he said.

He also said each home should develop a fire escape plan, so that in a real emergency residents would know how to get out of the area safely.

"With increased development in rural areas, wildlands fires now pose a serious threat to homes, businesses and lives," Frye said.



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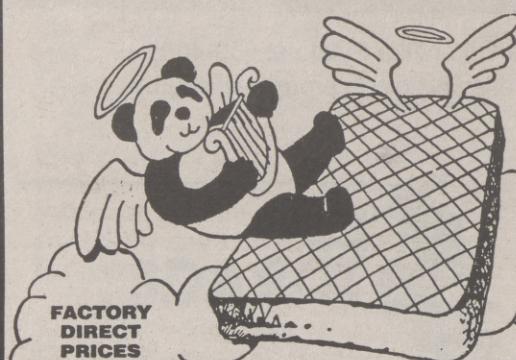
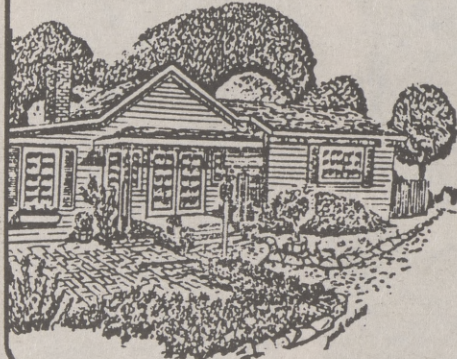
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Record Wine Grape Harvest Begins

Harvest is underway on what is described as a record wine grape crop in Carmel Valley. For those selling their crop, the best grapes bring about \$1,500 a ton.

Unlike the large commercial wineries in other areas, most of the area's crop is premium grapes and are gathered by hand. Using clippers, workers remove the bunches, place them in large, white plastic buckets and then take the buckets when full to one-half ton containers which are trucked to the press.

A proficient harvester can gather about a half-ton per day.

In the Valley, most growers press their own grapes, a ton of grapes producing about 150 gallons of juice. An acre of grapes—typically about 1,000 vines—can produce five tons of fruit.

Industry officials estimated about 350 acres of wine grapes are now planted in Carmel Valley. The Carmel Valley appellation begins east of Carmel Village and

"Chardonnay is the hardest to grow," he said. "It's more disease prone and produces less yield."

He said the harvest would be a record, the Valley benefitting from excellent summer growing conditions.

Asked if he knew of any phyloxera in Carmel Valley vineyards, Jarvis said no. "It's a slow threat," he said, noting the parasite spreads by being carried on field equipment, cars or trucks or shipping containers. The pest, which wiped out the California wine industry early in the century, has recently appeared in the Napa Valley.

"If we get a tractor back that's been working where it might be, we clean it up real good before putting it out there," Jarvis said.

He said for the most part, the vines at deClarck are farmed organically. The only chemical he uses on them is elemental sul-



JEFF JARVIS, who oversees the vines, started the harvest of chardonnay wine grapes Saturday morning at Domaine deClarck, a boutique winery on the north side of the Valley near Valley Hills. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

stretches through Chachagua. West of the Village to the ocean is the Lower Carmel Valley appellation.

Typical of some of the Valley's boutique wineries is Domaine deClarck, which sits on the north side of Carmel Valley overlooking the vegetable fields around Valley Hills.

It is owned by Jim Clark, a retired management consultant who once taught at UCLA and the Harvard Business School. He recently bought the Talbott Vineyard in Cachagua, renamed it Bernardus and put in an additional 50 acres of new vines.

Working in rubber boots in his basement deClarck winery, he said, "This is just baby stuff (but) it is a lot of fun."

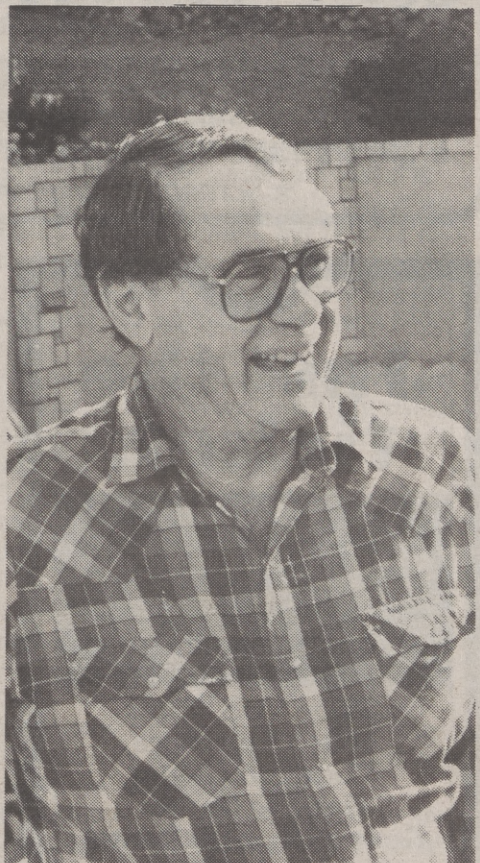
Domaine deClarck produces 1,000 cases of premium wines a year, chardonnay, pinot noir and vin gris de pinot noire—a dry rose.

Clark said his main markets for the small winery are local stores and restaurants and in San Francisco, New York, Los Angeles and also Texas and Ohio. "They're all pretty good wine areas," he said.

Jeff Jarvis, who manages the vineyards at deClarck and a number of other small wine makers, took four workers to deClarck Saturday morning to harvest about a half acre of chardonnay grapes just outside the winery door. He pointed out the small, firm berries, noting that unlike table grape growers, his goal is not to get a big, plump fruit.

phur to help prevent mildew, Jarvis said.

Being as close to the cool ocean breezes as it is, deClarck has more trouble with mildew than vineyards farther east where summer temperatures are higher, he said.



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Mountain Lion Warning

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There may be safety in numbers. Nance Browne, a runner who lives on an 8,000-acre ranch in the east Valley and organized the meeting, said she once considered buying a pistol to carry when she runs, but decided on an aerosol grizzly repellent instead.

She also suggested that those frequently in lion territory carry an aerosol air siren or a whistle. She encountered a lion with cubs while running on a trail in Garland Park 10 years ago and said she decided to invite Neal to speak after becoming aware that lion encounters were not really so rare.

She also said she was concerned because evidence is growing that lions, being curious and used to pursuing prey, may be attracted by runners. People running with their dogs might be even more vulnerable to lion attack, one speaker suggested.

"Eighty percent of the attacks are from behind," Browne said.

Jeff Froke, a biologist working for 20,000-acre Rancho San Carlos, said one of the things that made lions potentially dangerous was their typical cat's curiosity.

He said parents have "to be tough and vigilant" to protect their children. "A lot of the responsibility lands in our lap," he said.

Neal said 80,000 square miles of lion habitat still exist in California. He said the big cat's population is growing, despite declining deer populations in many parts of the state. He said some experts believe the lions are moving closer to human habitation because of this, increasingly supplementing their traditional diets with domestic livestock and even pet cats and dogs.

Neal said mountain lions probably never were endangered. "That's the last thing we have to worry about," said Neal. He said there are 27 lion subspecies, and all but one species which is located in Florida is thriving.

"They are very well adapted ani-

mals," he said. "They are clever, efficient killers. Don't worry about the lion becoming endangered. They're genetically diverse and very reproductive. We're not clever enough to wipe the lion out."

Personally, Neal said he had seen eight lions in the past three years, compared to just one in the previous 16.

A rancher, who said he ran stock in Stanislas and San Benito counties, said "The predators are coming to town."

Betty Wilson, who lives on Rancho Chupinos in the Valley, tended to agree. "They seem to be becoming so common in urban areas," she said, noting one had been seen in downtown Carmel. "They're really getting brave. They seem to be everywhere."

Others in the audience told of them being seen in Pacific Grove.

One woman, saying she lived in Carmel Views, told how she recently had been watching deer graze across a canyon from her home when a lion raced across her lawn to pursue them. She said a neighbor later found a dead deer in her garden.

Neal suggested that the lions were "reinvading" the way coyotes did some 100 years ago after they seemed on the verge of being wiped out. With their return, he said they seem comfortable living closer to man.

But Mark Stromberg, head of the University of California Hastings Natural History Reserve in the east Valley, said chances of encountering a lion were exceedingly slim. He cited the birdwatching that is done on the reserve, saying it amounted to 3,000 research/days a year. "We've never had a lion encounter. We've never lost pets or livestock." He said people working at the reserve "do see lions regularly" and find the remains of about two deer kill a month.

Scott Hennessey, a member of the Mountain Lion Foundation who expressed concern in advance of the meeting that Neal's message might be "inflammatory," said afterwards that he thought the presentation was balanced.

Creation of Cachagua Fire District Advances; Vote Could be in March

The Monterey County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) has received a petition from Cachagua residents asking for formation of a local fire protection district.

Chris Pentony, a volunteer for the Cachagua Volunteer Fire Company, said the matter may come before the Monterey Board of Supervisors in October, depending on how quickly it moves through LAFCO.

"The petitioners are hopeful that LAFCO and the supervisors will allow the fire protection district formation to be placed on the March, 1993, ballot," he said. Pentony was selected as chief petitioner for the fire district formation in September of 1991.

Pentony said the district formation would include a benefit assessment of \$96 a year for a typical, single family residence. It would provide the fire district with approximately \$40,000 a year, allowing for the current level of service plus a small reserve for equipment replacement.

The Cachagua Volunteer Fire Company was formed in 1977 to provide fire, rescue and emergency medical service for an area beginning two miles east of the Carmel Valley Village and extending to the upper Arroyo Seco watershed along the Carmel Valley Road. Pentony said this area covers about 100 square miles.

The initial fire equipment was donated by Rex White of Prince's Camp. The department currently has a 1951 Mack truck, a 1965 International engine, a 1965 patrol, and a 1973 Chevy Blazer. "Keeping this equipment operational is a real challenge as parts become harder and harder to obtain," Pentony said.

Volunteers built a station to house three vehicles in Prince's Camp in 1983.

The number of calls have increased from about 20 per year during the early 1980s to 68 calls in 1991, Pentony said.

"The community has been fortunate to have volunteers willing to spend a large

amount of time and effort to keep the fire company in operation," Pentony said.

He said fixed expenses have risen to \$24,000 a year. "The amount of time spent to raise that amount of money has become an uphill battle for the 18 volunteers." Pentony said the volunteers spend at least one-half the time they devote to the fire company to raising money to pay for insurance, maintenance and everyday operational costs. They spend about 160 hours a year in fire and emergency medical training, he said.

Pentony said the financial burden has reached the point that unless alternative sources of funding can be obtained, the department will cease to function. The board of directors decided to pursue formation of a fire protection district in May of 1991, Pentony said.

Signatures of 25 percent of the registered voters are required to place the matter on the ballot. LAFCO said April 23 sufficient signatures had been collected, and it later waived the district formation fee.

Setting It Straight

The Sept. 10 story on the Hodges property erroneously stated that the city of Carmel agreed to a fee of \$260,000 to the San Francisco law firm of Jones Hall Hill & White. The fee was set at \$26,000.

Because of an editing error, the word million was dropped in the *Sun's* Sept. 10 story on the compromise agreement on the tax assessment for Pebble Beach properties, making it incorrectly read \$600 instead of \$600 million.

Carmel Recreation Director Jerry Pullen's name was misspelled in the Sept. 10 story on the Great Sand Castle contest.

A reference to the age of water mains in the Sept. 10 story on Ocean Avenue construction stated the mains dated to 1857. It should have said 1887.

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Nance Browne, organizer of a community meeting on mountain lion safety, said packets of the material handed out at the session will be available to be copied at Carmel Valley Library for a couple of weeks.

She said researcher Don Neal's presentation also had been videotaped, and copies could be purchased by contacting Greg Enyart at 625-4290.

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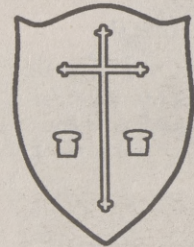


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CCGG Throws Down Gauntlet at Three CRA Councilmembers

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ing their power. It listed a litany of complaints ranging from accusations of off the record and behind the scenes meetings to their sanctions of CRA attacks on fellow councilmen.

"Examples range from the city's 1990 purchase of the Hodges Property/Rio Park to the misguided, costly FAR referendum to the Carmel Residents Association's recent shameful attack on Councilmembers Bob Fischer and Phil Coniglio, Jr. which the three of you tacitly endorsed," the statement said.

Sutton pointed out that CCGG includes two former mayors, Clint Eastwood and Barney Laiolo, who narrowly lost to White in the April 14 election, and "a cross-section of residents long interested in community service. Most of us have loved Carmel-by-the-Sea for most or all of our lives. CCGG has designed our Restore the Heart of Carmel plan to bring back the stability as well as the good feelings and sense of unity that has existed in Carmel for most of this century."

Besides Sutton, Eastwood and Laiolo, other members of CCGG are Phyllis Howard, vice chairman; Judy Lyle, secretary; Joseph Chaffers, treasurer, and directors Robert D'Isidoro, Ted Fehring, Lillian Hazdovac, Glenn Leidig, Howard Nieman, Jr. and Alan Williams.

"Mayor White and Councilmembers Brooks and Livingston have demonstrated a consistent unwillingness to listen to the public and address and solve a number of priorities," Sutton's statement said. "This has concerned our committee for quite some time. We just want to be positive. (But) it is time for the people to step forward and provide direction to our public servants."

CCGG said, "We cannot forget:

- "The council's development of the First Murphy Park at a cost of over \$340,000 that was paid from the city's reserve funds despite public sentiment to the contrary.

- "The council's ongoing failure to supervise and anticipate the current budget crisis which started several years ago. To make matters worse, the council has continued to spend money it isn't earning, and each of you have presented ideas for spending tax dollars on items the city can't afford and the majority of resident don't support.

- "A series of 'off the public record' meetings between public officials, and the behind the scenes manner in which former Planning Commissioner Stephen Poohar—who had a strong pro-resident record—was asked to leave before his term expired. The public's business must be done in public and reported accurately to the press.

- "The bitter, divisive attacks by the Carmel Residents Association—which each of you belong to and publicly support against all citizens who disagree with it. We cannot trust or respect public servants who participate in and sanction this kind of behavior. The 4,000 plus residents of Carmel-by-the-Sea who are not CRA members deserve better."

The six-point plan which CCGG demanded the council support included:

1. A balanced 1992-93 budget with operating revenues at least 105 percent of expenses and "no more juggling of reserve funds or accounting techniques to make the budget look balanced;" no new taxes or revenues; limitation of future staff salary and benefit growth to 90 percent of operating revenue growth; no draw down of reserve funds; and formation of a citizen budget review commission with five members before the 1992-93 budget is adopted. Restoration of funding for street, equipment and public maintenance to keep the city clean.

2. Repeal of the Planning Commission appointment criteria and adoption of a requirement that all prospective board and commission members must be residents of the city for at least three years and be registered to vote within the city limits.

3. Reduction of city government through "right sizing" as used by the private sector, including proposals to combine police and fire departments, using volunteer

services in the library, reducing the number of city departments and using outside contractors to provide city services where possible.

4. Review and action on the Parking Committee and Landlord/Tenant Committee reports while any further action or public review on the 2016 Committee report should first be reviewed by all city commissions and staff for feasibility and cost analysis.

5. Planning Commission recommendations reducing physical impacts of business on the R-1 district and restoring pre-1984 commercial zoning boundaries; streamlining of the permit process for residents and business alike; review of economic impact of zoning regulations on business and city revenues—"don't look at raising revenues from residents while you continue to turn the screws on the business district;" development of a five member economic development advisory committee to improve the city's financial health.

6. "As public servants, you must set standards that respect the rights of the individual and that promote courtesy, harmony and balance between the council and residents, business owners, employees and staff. Above all, you are expected to place community above self-interest and political ambition."

PB Tax Accord To Cost Local Fire Districts

Local fire chiefs, still not completely sure how much the state budget cuts will cost them, estimated Tuesday that the compromise settlement of the Pebble Beach tax assessment will require them to repay more than \$30,000 to the county.

The estimate is based on discussions with chiefs Bill Sims of Carmel Valley, Gary Carmichael of Mid Valley and Lanny White of Carmel Highlands. White and Sims each estimated the settlement will cost them \$10,000 to \$11,000. Carmichael said he could be forced to repay up to \$14,700 depending on how the settlement is implemented.

After months of appeals hearings, Monterey County and Ben Hogan Properties compromised on a \$600 million assessment for Pebble Beach properties for the 18 months the Japanese firm owned it.

The county assessor originally valued the property at \$866 million, but in June reduced the amount to \$723 million. Ben Hogan argued the property, including the golf course and the Lodge, was worth \$400 million.

Ben Hogan purchased the property for \$829 million in 1990 and reportedly resold it for \$350 million less a year and a half later to another Japanese company.

The loss of tax money from the Pebble Beach sale comes as all local districts, including fire protection districts, are struggling to understand the impact of cuts specified in the settlement of the two-month budget impasse in Sacramento.

Earlier, the three chiefs, along with County Service Area 43 which provides fire protection at the Mouth of the Valley, estimated they would lose about \$320,000 in total from state budget cuts.

Fire chiefs met with officials from the county auditor's office this week, but full instructions from the state still were not available.

"The main thing that's not definite is the base year" for calculating the 10 percent loss of state tax funds, said White.

Sims said county auditors are scheduled to meet with state officials later this week, and he hoped to know exactly how the cuts will work by the end of this week or early next week.

"One thing that is sure," Sims said, "is that we're going to have to do more with less."

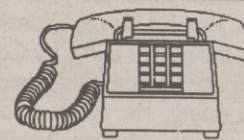
Brooks said there was nothing new in CCGG's budget proposals: "They are trying to make it sound like it's their ideas. Really these points are the staff recommendations. "They're repainting the staff recommendations."

She said the group had made no attempt to contact her personally: "They've shot the canon over the bow, and they're really talking about recall. When it's time for the divorce it's too late to talk." She said she had tried to join the Voice of Carmel which has some members who also belong to CCGG but was told they would welcome donations but did not want any other members.

"I think they think it's an ultimatum," Livingston said. "I was surprised to get the letter, and I think they were quite inaccurate in accusing me of past council

decisions."

She said she thought she got along well with Coniglio and Fischer and, "I think everything I've done is perfectly legal. I know I've not done anything behind the scenes. I'm not all hot and bothered by this. Not at all. They have their right to speak out. I just hope this small group of people are not going to hoodwink the vast majority of residents who elected us all to office to preserve the residential character of town..."



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Hodges Purchase a Mistake

Although I do not live within the confines of Carmel-by-the-Sea, I am saddened by the squabbling that has been going on between the City Council members and the Planning Commissioners.

In the last few years, we have been exposed to problems relating to child abuse, battered women and sexual harassment. I'd like to add "verbal abuse among civic-minded adults."

Of all the mistakes in judgment that have been made, which is placing a heavy burden on the 4,500 citizens making up Carmel and to the business community, the purchase of the Hodges Property is one that I'd like to address.

I would suggest that the mayor and City Council approach Clint Eastwood and offer to sell him this property even if they must take a loss in so doing. He was a great benefactor to Carmel when he purchased the Mission Ranch property. This should lighten their long range obligations, and perhaps they will refrain from more such purchases. With the present economic climate, you don't have to be a genius to see that they are facing an embarrassing disaster from an overzealous desire to preserve open space land around them.

I foresee many pressing problems that they are going to have to deal with, so they better get together and use a little common sense and have a truly united interest in the welfare of Carmel's citizenry even if it hurts their ego or their pride.

Dr. Joseph Noto
Carmel

Bumble Bees Can't Fly, Either

I was out of town last week, so I didn't pick up my copy of *The Sun* until Friday evening. In the article about replacing Rosie's Bridge, I was shocked to learn that the existing bridge will not handle fire engines.

I attended two town meetings a few years ago on the proposal to replace the bridge but neither Supervisor Strasser-Kauffman nor the engineers from the county Public Works Department informed me of that fact. During Friday's mock evacuation of Robles Del Rio, I drove one of the dozen or so fire engines that crossed the bridge.

Like the bumble bee which cannot fly according to aerodynamics, in my ignorance of the facts I have driven an 18-ton fire engine across that span for 22 years.

For safety reasons, I am more concerned with a one lane by-pass during construction of a new bridge.

John M. Radon, Engineer
Carmel Valley Fire Department

The Sun's Sept. 10 story on the meeting on the bridge was delinquent in that it did not attribute the statement that Rosie's wasn't safe for "highway-sized trucks, including fire engines" to the current director of the County Public Works Department. But he did make that statement.—The Ed.

Bells Peel a Nursery Rhyme

Two weeks ago, Isabelle Hall wrote about her English father whose ancestors were born within sound of Bow Bells, which she wrote must be Big Ben. I don't think it is. There is a nursery rhyme about bells in London which my mother (English, too) used to recite to me. As I remember, it was:

Oranges and lemons say the bells of St. Clement's
When will you pay me?
Say the bells of Old Bailey.
When I grow rich
Say the bells of Shoreditch.
When will that be?
Say the bells of Lee.
That I don't know
Said the great bell of Bow.

Those are all bells of famous London churches. Bow Street is in the eastern part of London and quite close to Covent Garden Market where the famous market was. I think if you were born with in the sound of Bow Bells, you were a cockney.

I may have forgotten some of the lines since that was 70 years ago. But I found Bow Street on my London map, and I learned in my Oxford Dictionary of Quotations (1955) that the quote is from "Tommy Thumb's Pretty Song Book" (circa 1744) It only gives two lines of it.

Cherrie Waldo
Carmel Valley

Pescadero Canyon Worth Saving

"The purpose of Voice of Carmel is to provide non-partisan and objective information to Carmel residents and property owners on topics which are of public interest." A worthy goal! However, an informed reading of the question and background information about Pescadero Canyon reveals an underlying bias which has skewed the material presented.

It has also made an answer next to impossible for many people. Land swaps of dead-end city rights of way have been lumped together with closure of streets in the question. Many do not object to swapping dead-end rights of way so long as the neighbors don't object, but do strenuously object to the closure of through streets to create building sites.

To characterize Friends of Pescadero Canyon as "environmental interests" is hardly accurate, even if the allusion had sounded complementary. Our group is varied and sincere and our object to preserve something we know to be of value for posterity. None of us were contacted for input, though we are the most well informed group of people on the issue of Pescadero Canyon.

The question itself is wrong and misleading. The city is not attempting to "prevent" development through land exchange. This is one way in which the city has determined that it can acquire these lots, which are especially singled out for acquisition in our land use documents. These properties are designated Environmentally Sensitive Habitat and thus protected by state law. They are on slopes over 60 percent and are within 100 feet of Pescadero Creek.

Not only that, but this beautiful stretch of the canyon has the added significance because of its connection to poet Robinson Jeffers, who experienced his transforming creative insight here. It is a small oasis where one can actually be in contact with the natural and cultural values which are the heart of our town. The question of land swaps of these lots for dead-end city rights of way and of street closures are two separate issues for discussion, but only in the context of correct information about the issue of canyon preservation.

Linda Smith
Carmel

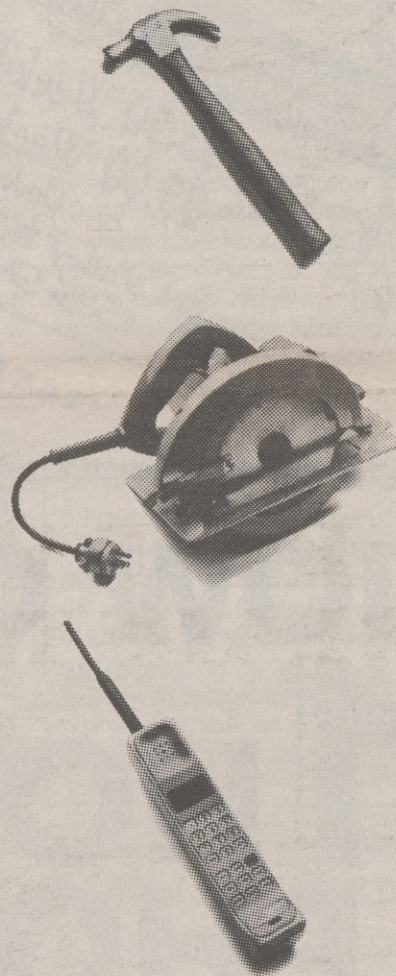
Object to Canyon Question Wording

Regarding the recent Voice of Carmel survey, I found the Pescadero Canyon background information too simplistic. I helped found Friends of Pescadero Canyon. I am a resident and property homeowner. The term "environmental interests" sounds like a red flag for extremism. On the contrary, we are made up of what I would call "garden variety" residents fighting for something we believe upholds the Carmel quality of life. The intent of our group is to uphold local ordinances written to protect Carmel from building on sites which are inadequate and/or threaten the surrounding area which is legally deemed environmentally sensitive.

The Planning Commission gave permission to build on one lot. We believe this approval with its number of variances was inappropriate and contradicts our local Land Use Plan mandate to acquire these lots. We are not asking the City to "prevent building" as if this was an unusual request. We are asking the city to support its own ordinances. We have no part in the land swap idea but I think more information needs to be provided before a citizen could be sufficiently informed about what "closing streets" and setting a precedent means.

This is a complex issue. I welcome the Voice of Carmel to meet with Friends of Pescadero Canyon if they are interested in structuring another question on the canyon so that we can join our expertise to have a truly nonbiased question whose results could be more definitive.

Judith Wolfe
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MORE THAN TWO YEARS AFTER it was carried through the streets of Carmel to its new location, the First Murphy House will be open to the public starting Sept. 23. Staffed by 50 volunteers, it will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.
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First Murphy House Opens Sept. 23

More than two years after it was moved through the streets of Carmel to a new site, the First Murphy House will be opened to the community on Sept. 23.

Formal dedication will be held Oct. 30 following the city's traditional Halloween parade. Landscaping is still being done at the property.

The First Murphy Committee announced it had received final approval from the city's building department Sept. 8. The announcement said that Enid Sales, who had volunteered to be the general contractor on the project, was now working with the First Murphy Management Committee of community members and city representatives.

The management committee has recruited some 50 volunteers to staff the house which is now under the direction of the city's Recreation Commission, the announcement said.

The Recreation Department, which is in charge of daily supervision, will hold two training sessions for volunteers Sept. 17. Starting Sept., 23, the house will be open

from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Built in 1902 by master builder M.J. Murphy when he was just 17 for his mother and sisters, the house had fallen into disrepair. A committee, led by contractor Sales and architect Brian Congleton, raised \$100,000 for its restoration.

The City Council agreed to take over the house and have it moved from an off-street site west of Mission to city property at Lincoln Street north of Sixth for the creation of the First Murphy Park, which includes city restrooms and a parking area.

Beginning with complaints over the city's \$335,000 investment, the project has been a source of dissension from some parts of the community since the City Council took control of it.

In July of 1991, the Voice of Carmel took a mailed poll of residents and reported that 69 percent of those who answered were opposed to spending a proposed \$335,000 on the park. When bids came in all over the \$500,000 range, the council scaled back the project to about \$300,000.

Voice Poll Against Taxes

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worded properly. (See Letters to the Editor page 10.)

The question asked: "Should the City prevent residential development of the remaining lots in Pescadero Canyon through a land exchange with property owners/developers?"

The Voice concluded the poll gave the City Council "clear-cut mandates for reduction of city payroll and fringe benefits and for paying down the Rio Park debt."

The stated purpose of the group "is to provide nonpartisan and objective information to Carmel residents and property owners on topics which are of public interest."

In addition to Sippel, members are former Mayor Clint Eastwood, former City Councilmen and former Planning Commissioners Olof Dahlstrand and Robert H. Evans, former Planning Commissioners Fred Keeble and Howard Nieman, Jr., Parking Committee Chairman Alan Williams and Joseph N. Chaffers, a former library board member. Sippel is a member of the Recreation Commission and former library board member.

In a further breakdown of responses, the poll showed that 633 or 85 percent of the 765 registered voters favored cutting payrolls, compared to 83 or 11 percent opposed and 32 or 4 percent undecided. A total of 526 or 79 percent opposed new taxes compared to 95 or 14 percent in favor and 41 or 6 percent undecided.

Paying down Rio Park debt was favored by 523 or 70 percent compared to 152 or 21 percent opposed and 68 or 9 percent un-

decided. Forty-six percent or 346 opposed a Pescadero Canyon land swap compared to 40 percent or 301 in favor and 14 percent or 105 undecided.

Of the 287 property owners not registered to vote who replied, 255 or 91 percent would cut the payroll, 16 or 6 percent would not and 9 or 3 percent were undecided. Opposed to new taxes were 211 or 83 percent while 30 or 12 percent favored them and 14 or 5 percent were undecided.

On the Pescadero Canyon issue, 121 or 43 percent favored a land swap, 112 or 40 percent were opposed and 49 or 17 percent were undecided.



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Park District to Help Buy "Cougar Gulch"

Directors of the regional park district agreed unanimously Tuesday night to contribute \$125,000 to complete the purchase of 640 acres inland of the Big Sur coast sometimes called "cougar gulch."

The property, located on Joshua Creek some nine miles south of the Carmel River, is owned by William Lange, a lone surviving member of a pioneer coast family. He now lives in Oregon.

Total cost of the property is \$925,000, with the Wildlife Conservation Board putting up \$800,000. The \$125,000 that the park district agreed to contribute will come from its 1990-1991 Proposition 117 payment from the state.

Under terms of Proposition 117, \$1.5 million is earmarked each year for the purchase of mountain lion and other wildlife habitat in the Santa Lucia Mountains.

The Big Sur Land Trust put the deal together to buy the Lange property, and board member Zad Leavy, a member of the trust, stepped down, on the 4-0 vote.

The property will be managed by the State Fish & Game Department as a limited access and scientific reserve.

In other business, the board:

- Heard General Manager Gary Tate estimate that state cuts in property tax funding to special districts would cost the park district from \$120,000 to \$180,000 this fiscal year.

- Agreed to stage the main part of the park district's 20th anniversary celebration next April. Director Sean Flavin, head of a subcommittee planning the event, said more time was needed to organize a series of events around the peninsula.

Winning Play Opens Thursday At Sunset

The Zamboni Situation, winner of Carmel's 15th annual Festival of Firsts playwriting competition, will open Thursday at Sunset Center. Curtain time is 8 p.m.

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Zoning Proposals Reviewed

Meeting in a joint session with the Planning Commission, the City Council Tuesday heard recommendations from several members of the business community to extend the Central Commercial (CC) zone to Seventh Avenue.

The change would benefit life-long resident Glenn Leidig and his wife, Marian, whose building at Seventh and San Carlos was downzoned by the 1984 City Council making it difficult to find tenants.

"Don't worry the council's going to solve the whole problem," Mayor Ken White assured the crowd. Later he told the *Sun* he would stand by the motion to change the zone to Seventh that he made at a meeting of the previous council last February. "I don't want to talk about an EIR. That would take 1-1/2 years," he said. Final action is scheduled tentatively for Oct. 20.

Despite complaints from some members of the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) against any changes to the CC zone which now divides Fifth and Seventh Avenues on the north and south ends of the downtown, there was strong sentiment for moving it to Seventh.

Even Jane Mayer, a CRA member who opposes many of the changes proposed by the commission after a two-year study, said, "I would like to see something done about Seventh Avenue so the Leidigs wouldn't have to come to so many meetings."

It was the first joint session with the

council since the commission completed its study calling for seven major changes to the city's commercial zoning code. The commission urged eliminating the Service Commercial (SC) zone and extending the CC boundaries but with strong, new restrictions on what type of businesses could be allowed in the resultant buffer zone adjacent to the residential area.

Other recommendations were to change the term "resident oriented" to "resident serving" in the present section of the code designed to encourage such businesses; limiting restrictions on art galleries, real estate offices and restaurants and encouraging outdoor eating; defining intensity of use; drastically streamlining the categories for businesses in the Land Use code; simplifying the business license permit process; and removing the Ocean Avenue overlay district.

Chairman Carla Ramsey stressed that "above all the Planning Commission wanted to protect the R-1 zone."

When Commissioner Ed Jordan explained his view against the commission's recommendations, Ramsey pointed out that the motion was 5-1 and "the public should know what the majority vote was."

Jordan said he thought the community demanded an EIR instead of the Negative Declaration approved by the commission. He also said he thought the time was right for a General Plan examination.

Carmel Planners Want Civic Projects Back

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Jordan took exception to it being posted only at the Carmel-by-the-Sea post office, saying, "The main post office is at the Mouth of the Valley. This is a branch of that post office."

Noting that many residents of Carmel-by-the-Sea must pick up their mail at the Mouth of the Valley main post office, he said, "I don't think that's adequate public notice."

"I feel very strongly one place we shouldn't be making these reductions is notification of the public," Chairwoman Carla Ramsey said.

"There are an unusually high number of frail and elderly who don't go to the post office," Hanna said. "With an \$8 million budget, \$1,000 doesn't affect me as very significant." The commission voted 6-0 against dropping the ads.

The arguments were even stronger when City Attorney Don Freeman set out to explain changes that he said would bring the enforcement provisions of the Municipal Code into "consistency" with a recent attorney general's opinion. The ordinance gives the planning director, building inspector and code enforcement officer or their authorized deputies the authority "to arrest a person, without a warrant, whenever there is reasonable cause" to think the zoning ordinances have been violated. The arresting official then issues a citation directing the offender to appear in court.

Former Mayor Barney Laiolo questioned the change as "putting power upon

power." He said the only people authorized to make arrests are the police department, and this was "getting a little too heavy handed."

Congleton objected that the changes allowed "arrest without a warrant."

"Is this a state law or something we thought up on our own," inquired Kennedy, who is an attorney.

"If we can't get somebody's attention, this gives us the legal authority to take it one step further to the courts. Normally it gets immediate attention," Freeman explained.

"Just because the state decides to do something severe, we have to follow?" asked Congleton.

"You derive your power from the state," Freeman said. "You can't go beyond what the state says but you can certainly adopt what the state did. We try to make everything conform. Nobody has ever been arrested for a zoning violation."

"Mr. Laiolo has a point," Hanna said. "The perception is we're looking for ways to harass the public...The public thinks it's just another step towards a police state."

But, Jordan pointed out the language was no different than in the original ordinance. When Kennedy asked how long the ordinance had been in effect, he was told since 1968.

Congleton then lectured Freeman to give fuller explanations because, "We want to know what it is even if it's a housekeeping measure." The changes finally were adopted 4-2 with Ramsey and Hanna opposed.

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Sunset Benefit Draws Crowds At La Playa

Several hundred people turned out Sunday to support Sunset Center's Festival of Firsts playwriting contest at the second annual La Playa garden party.

Demonstrations were held on growing orchids, dried toiary arrangements, cottage garden design, living centerpieces and salad container gardens during the afternoon-long event.

Smoke billowed from barbecue fires as Chef de Cuisine Bunyan Fortune introduced a variety of summer foods from La Playa's new Terrace Grill Restaurant.

Garden fashions by I. Magnin were modeled informally in the gardens.

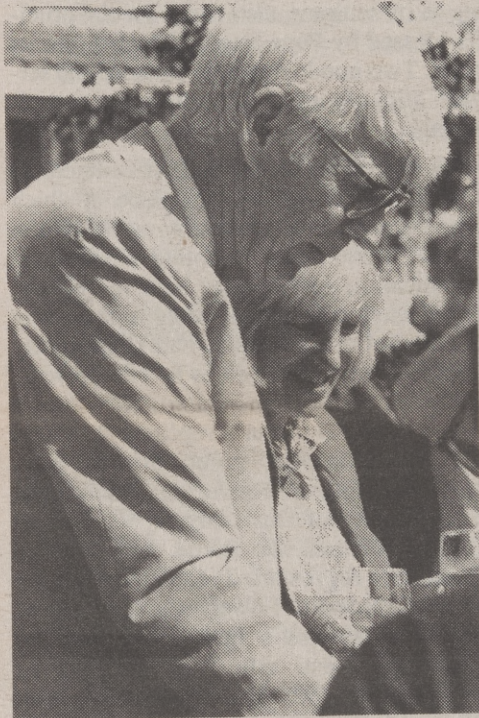
Winding up the event, Talen Thomas presented "A night with Jack London" in a preview of entertainment that will be offered Thursday evenings at 6:30 and 8 p.m. at the historic hotel. The presentation included London's adventures as a street kid in Oakland, an oyster pirate, sailor, hobo, convict, Klondike goldseeker, rancher, prolific author and eyewitness to the 1906 San Francisco earthquake.

The 15th annual Festival of Firsts Playwriting Competition starts Sept. 24 with the opening performance of "The Zamboni Station."



ENJOYING A SUNNY SUNDAY afternoon, crowds of Sunset Center supporters, above, turned out at the La Playa Hotel gardens to raise money for the Festival of Firsts, a contest that chooses new plays for recognition. Linda and Clayton Anderson, left, taste the barbecued meats prepared by Chef de Cuisine Bunyan Fortune who introduced a sample of foods from the new Terrace Grill Restaurant. Visiting with Mayor Ken White, at right, were from left to right, Sherry Parelskin of Pebble Beach and three actors who will appear in the Festival of Firsts play, Zamboni Station Sept. 24, Hansford Prince, Sandy Sidener and Mary Ann Lucido. Gathered around the gazebo, below, a crowd took in one of four flower and garden demonstrations.

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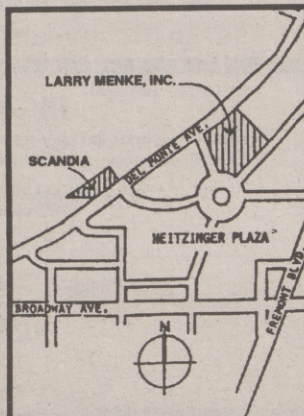
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By Elizabeth Barrett

"Sculptor Djei Owens threatened to remove the statue of the Madonna which had stood displayed for sale under the oaks of Carmel Valley Village for over a decade," an article reported in a local newspaper in May, 1962.

The lovely and graceful statue you see every time you drive into the Village, serenely standing just to the left of the Iron Kettle, under the protecting arms of old, graceful oak boughs, has an interesting and somewhat involved background. According to several local sources, the statue came to be in its present location after a series of happenstances.

Apparently, the sculptor was commissioned to do a statue, representing the Immaculate Heart of Mary, for a church in Santa Barbara. But, after he finished the work, the congregation changed its mind. Stuck with the unsold work and without his commission, the artist loaded the statue on his truck and headed north. Upon arriving in Carmel Valley, the story goes, he found an ideal spot to place his art in the location where the piece sits today. Ironically, both the Santa Barbara parish and the parish in Carmel Valley shared identical names, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

But that's not the end of the story. At a later date when the statue was up for sale, funds had to be raised to keep it in its special place next to the old milk house, or today's Iron Kettle Restaurant. A community effort ensued to raise funds, and in the course of the effort, numerous varying opinions were expressed about the appropriateness of the Madonna's presence at its current locale. Some were opposed, others stood in support of the sculpture remaining where it was. After some difficulty in getting enough money together, the statue was purchased and donated anonymously. In October, 1962, the sculptor wrote a letter to a local paper which said, in part

"Hearing of the difficulties of raising funds for the purchase of the Madonna of the Oaks of Carmel Valley, an anonymous donor has come forth pledging its payment in the sole hope that it remain under its beautiful tree where it now stands. Should, however, conditions of the future require its removal, it will be given to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Carmel Valley, thus insur-



PRESIDING OVER CARMEL VALLEY VILLAGE is the Madonna statute by sculptor Djei Owens. The beautiful statue has stood under the spreading branches of a live oak tree at White Oaks Plaza since about 1952.

Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

ing its survival in the presence of the people who have come to love it so dearly.

"The campaign on behalf of the Madonna brought out the ever-interesting fact of the diversity of the opinions of people, some of whom, may they remain nameless, opposed its presence in the open world, so to speak, for it is a religious statue. This is to be expected, and is what helps make life interesting....Those who gave of their time and money, gave in love and received its immeasurable reward and victory, too, for it stands yet among us, radiating its peace and beauty there under the tree with its hand upraised in eternal blessing, uniting all people in love."

Owens ended the letter with, "Peace and goodbye, the sculptor, may he forever remain nameless."

The Madonna statue was officially dedicated on May 31, 1964. The official blessing was bestowed by Rev. Fr. Juan Oroniz, acting pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. The service was ecumenical, and included Rev. James Brock of St. Dunstan's and Rev. Donald Johnson of the Carmel Valley Community Chapel, both of whom spoke at the ceremony. Children of the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel parish placed a crown of fresh roses on the statue, which according to its sculptor, also had a special crucifix blessed by Pope Pius XII sealed into its heart. Two hundred people attended the service, with choirs of three churches participating.

In November, 1971 another ecumenical rededication ceremony took place, at which time the statue was referred to as "Madonna of the White Oaks," another ecumenical rededication service was held in August, 1989, when once again clergy representing the Catholic, Episcopal, and Community churches officiated. Just as he had 25 years earlier at his first dedication, Rev. James Brock of St. Dunstan's repeated the same statement he had given at the 1964 services. Father Raymond Kammerer, acting pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, blessed the statue, and Michael Thatcher represented the Community Church a crown of flowers was again placed on the Madonna's head, this time by Christina West, who was assisted by Cynthia Niino, who had crowned the statue 25 years before.

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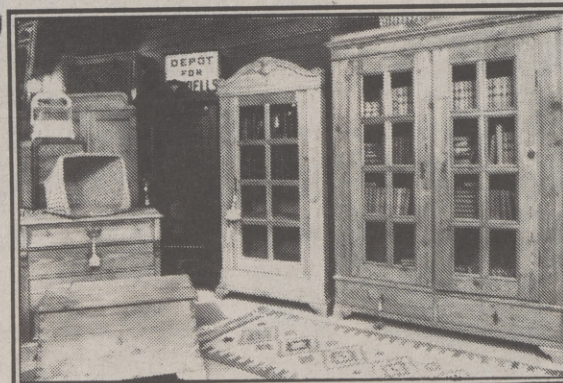
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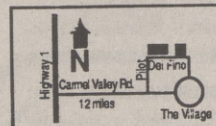
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AMELIE ELKINGTON, left, joined Pauline Stanley and Donald T. Clark in November for the signing of his book, *Monterey County Place Names*. Active in local history circles for some 60 years, she died Sept. 10 at age 89. Sun file photo

Historian Amelie Elkinton Dies

Amelie Elkinton, a Monterey Peninsula historical authority and moving force in local history societies for the past 60 years, died Sept. 10 at the Carmel Valley Manor Medical Unit. She was 86.

Born Oct. 22, 1905 in San Francisco, Elkinton moved to the area in 1929. She was chairman of the Monterey County Historical Commission and a charter member of the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula.

She helped found the Monterey History and Art Association in 1931, was secretary of the group for years, and was made an honorary life director in 1986. She also was curator for the State of California Department of Beaches and Parks for 12 years.

Describing Elkinton as "a walking oral history book," Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman said she "was an invaluable contributor to Monterey County. She's really been the gatekeeper. I'm personally very grateful to her. She educated me to many aspects of our history and made it fun."

"Amelie went far beyond the call of duty, constantly trying to save projects. She was concerned about San Antonio Mission and the county as a whole. She recognized that land itself is a historic resource not just the structures on it."

Elkinton's list of memberships read like a Who's Who of local history. She was vice-president of the conference of California Historical Societies, past president of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, Junipero Parlor, #141, and a founding member of the Colonial Monterey

Foundation.

She was a member of the Monterey County History Advisory Committee, Monterey Council of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Robinson Jeffers Tor House, Carmel Valley Historical Society, Los Californianos, Delta Zeta Sorority, Old Monterey Preservation Society, San Antonio Valley Historical Association, Big Sur Land Trust, and Pt. Lobos Natural History Association.

Elkinton had lived on the peninsula as a child when her father, Joseph R.V. Nichols, superintendent of the Pacific Fish Co., built one of the first canneries on what would become Cannery Row. As a child, she recalled playing in two of the houses that still stand on Cannery Row.

Elkinton was predeceased by her first husband, William Kneass, Jr., in 1953, and by Alfred Elkinton in 1960. She is survived by her daughter, Nora A. Vignoli of Claremont, and stepsons Bob Elkinton of Orinda and Dick Elkinton of Washington State, three grandchildren, seven step-grandchildren, one great-grandchild and several step-great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula at 3 p.m. Oct. 4. Cremation will be at the Little Chapel by the Sea with interment in El Carmelo Cemetery, Pacific Grove.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Monterey History and Art Association for the Maritime Museum, the Community Church Hymnal Fund, Carmel Valley Manor Medical Unit or a favorite charity.

River Channel Clearing to Begin Monday

Armed with chainsaws and loppers, crews are scheduled to begin work Monday removing trees and shrubs that have grown up in the Carmel River channel where they could trigger serious erosion during heavy rains.

California Conservation Crews (CCC) were to begin clearing some five miles of channel starting near the Garland Park bridge, said Ambessaw Asseged, riparian projects coordinator for the water management district. They will work upstream from there until the end of the year if the weather permits, he said.

This is the third year that the channel has been cleared of vegetation that has grown up in the absence of heavy river flows which would scour the channel clean. The fear is that the vegetation in the channel could cause backups during heavy flows which would deflect water against the banks and start them washing out.

Asseged said the section that will be cleared this year at a cost of up to \$15,000 is the same one that was cleaned out in 1990, the first year of the program.

"It appears that we're going to have to clear every other year," he said. He explained that the roots of the vegetation are not killed by the clearing, so the plant immediately sends new shoots up.

He said the alternative to frequent hand clearing would be to use a backhoe to dig out the roots or use chemicals, either of

which would stir strong opposition, he acknowledged.

The work had been scheduled to start a week earlier, but Asseged said CCC crews were all tied up with fires or their cleanup around the state. At this time, he said he only had a two-week commitment from the CCC and would likely have to hire seasonal workers to help with the project. He said the Gabilan convict work crews also are tied up with fire-related work.

The CCC and Gabilan provides crews free of charge to the water management district. In the past, the clearing has done for about \$3,000. The higher projected cost this year is the result of having to hire workers and to rent a chipper, Asseged explaining one that has been borrowed from Cal-Am in the past is not available.

Smaller vegetation cleared from the channel will be chipped and left in place while larger pieces will be cut up and carried out of the channel.

AMBAG Gives Rideshare Awards

The City of Carmel-by-the-Sea and the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula will receive AMBAG awards for ridesharing programs.

The awards will be presented at the October AMBAG board of directors meeting. Carmel won in the Public Sector Employer category and the hospital in the Private Sector Employer category.

Drill Simulates Rescue from Carmel Bay

Ten local agencies worked together to pull four men from Carmel Bay during an emergency drill Tuesday, with Carmel Fire Chief Bill Hill saying inflatable boats work better than helicopters—as long as the seas are calm.

Four men from the Monterey County Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team and the Pacific Grove Rescue Team swam into the ocean to await rescue in the exercise testing the recently updated local coastal rescue plan.

The first rescue unit on the scene arrived about 10 minutes after the call was reported to 911 as a capsized boat. It was a rubber inflatable raft manned by the California Parks Department and the Carmel Highlands Volunteer Fire Department which had been launched from Point Lobos.

Later a mock victim was rescued by a State Parks Department lifeguard who swam into the ocean with a float. About one hour after the drill started, a helicopter dispatched by the Coast Guard from San Francisco arrived and practiced lifting victims from the water with a basket and depositing them on a Coast Guard boat stationed nearby.

Hill said during calm water such as on Tuesday, the inflatable rubber rafts probably work best for ocean rescues. But when the water gets rough, a helicopter has better search capability and may be able to drop a line closer to the victim than the boat can get. The rubber rafts are safer to use than a hard boat for victim safety, Hill said.

Hill said the Carmel Fire Department had several rescues during the past year, and they have usually been on days when the water was so rough that "locals wouldn't even get in the water." He said his department plans an ocean rescue drill each year.

Hill said a MAST helicopter from Fort Ord, which could be on the scene more quickly, would be called in a real emergency but one wasn't available for the drill.

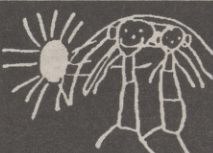
In 1993 when the 7th Infantry completes its move from Fort Ord to Fort Lewis, Wash., the MAST helicopters will go with it, so a longer helicopter response time will be the norm since all Coast Guard helicopters come out of San Francisco, Hill said.

Hill said the Monterey County Coastal Incident Plan had recently been updated to clarify who is in charge of local rescues and to provide better coordination of radio frequencies between different agencies.

Other agencies which participated in Tuesday's drill were the Carmel Police Department, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Carmel Regional Ambulance and the County Communications Department.

Sierra Club Endorsements

Urging them to drop their support for the Hatton Canyon Freeway, the Ventana Chapter of the Sierra Club endorsed the reelection of Assemblyman Sam Far and State Sen. Henry Mello.



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BY MARK EATON

California nurserymen and nurserywomen have been preaching for decades that fall is the best time for planting. More than just a ploy to get the cash register ringing when business is on the slow side, there are sound horticultural principles behind this thinking.

Let's examine the fall planting of perennials, more specifically herbaceous perennials. These are plants that continue to flower and seed year after year, some as short as three years, while others can live for decades. Herbaceous perennials do not form woody tissues. Normally, they die down at some point during the year, in response to temperature, moisture or light and renew activity in the following growing season.

The traditional eastern perennial border grows for about six months from spring to fall then dies back in fall as winter approaches to be covered often by a blanket of snow. We in the coastal influence of California must take a different approach to our perennial flower garden. We have a lack of winter chill, annual summer drought (and often winter drought as well), a growing season of 250-plus days a year and no snow to hide the browning, decomposing stems and leaves in winter.

The mixed border, or one that contains plants that fall into different categories, is the way to go in most of California. A backbone of evergreen shrubs in different shapes and sizes, rose bushes, herbaceous perennials and some well-chosen annuals to be used as fillers can make for a beautiful planting scheme.

Some examples of this type of planting can be found in the September issue of *Sunset Magazine* in an article, "the New California Gardens and Garden Makes." If you haven't seen this article, you may want to pick up a copy for a little gardening inspiration.

Why is fall such a good time to plant these perennials anyway? The plants get a head start on making a nice display next spring. Even as the weather cools off and the tops don't grow much, the soil remains relatively warm for quite some time and the roots will continue to spread. The one-gallon can that you plant in the next several weeks will produce a plant from the early spring growth flush that will be two to four times larger than if you wait until next April to purchase and plant. If we receive any decent late fall rains, the benefit of free water is always a plus in our area.

In being diligent about planting and gardening now, you will see much more im-

pressive results in the spending of those hard-earned dollars come spring. Many varieties of perennials can be propagated by division, and, if you have gardening friends willing to part with crowded shasta daisies, catmint, campanulas, coral bells or whatever, now is a great time to take a clump and give it a new home.

Perennial gardening has caught on in California in a big way over the last decade. However, it is a more complex area of garden design than planting some privets and escallonias around the base of the house fronted by petunias and marigolds for constant color.

Bad perennial gardening is abundant in California because relatively few spent much time indulging in this area of horticulture for many years. Some of those "relatively few" came out with a great little book in 1989 that should be on the shelf of every perennial gardener in Northern California, both novice and experienced. At \$10, "Successful Perennials for the Peninsula" is a cheap investment filled with a wealth of knowledge. The "Peninsula" in the title is San Francisco not Monterey but anyone who has spent much time living in both areas realizes that weather patterns are much more similar than not, and the information contained in this book can be plugged right in to the Monterey Peninsula. There are 19 contributing authors, all members of the Western Horticultural Society, which actually published the book. Some of these authors were, and are, longtime San Francisco Peninsula gardeners, nurserypeople, and garden designers. (A few were classmates of mine in the horticulture program at Foothill College in Los Altos Hills.)

For a number of years, I attended meetings of the society and to this day I have never spent an evening in a room of gardeners as knowledgeable as this group (with apologies to our local gardening clubs). If our indoor shop at the Begonia Gardens weren't so cramped for space, this would be the number two book to sell after the *Sunset Western Garden Book*. So check your local bookstores, if not on the shelf, I'm sure it can be ordered easily.

Those of us who live on the Central Coast have long known the weather coming up in the next several weeks is usually the nicest of the year and a great time to garden. One facet of that gardening is the choosing and planting of flowering perennials, some of the most rewarding of all garden plants.



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MAKING ITS ANNUAL fall visit to Carmel Valley Oct. 1 will be the Bloodmobile, operated by the Red Cross and Community Hospital. Coordinator Harriet Busick said the need for blood is urgent. The Bloodmobile will be at the Carmel Valley Community Church from 3 to 6:30 p.m. On its spring visit, 54 donors gave blood, 17 of them for the first time, Busick said. Above, Judy Harrold is shown donating blood during the spring drive in the Village.

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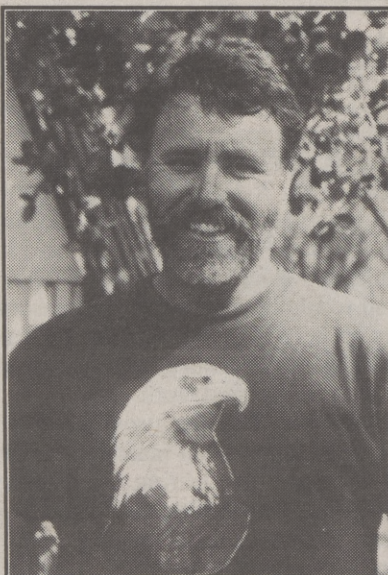


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OUT AND ABOUT

BY ISABELLE HALL

Whenever it arrives, Labor Day signals a definitive end to the lazy days of summer, a feeling it is time to shape up and get to work. Whether or not you have worked yourself to the bone through June, July and August, there is still the feeling that now all that summer stuff is over things will get back to normal.

Fall brings a crisp snap to the air, a hint of cold weather to come, and a spring to your step. I envy those lucky kids who get to go to school, to get fresh new pens and pencils, blank sheets of paper to write on, and knowledge to absorb.

From that first day when you have to let go of your mother's hand to the day when you have to let go of your child's hand, school waits with the keys to acquiring all the knowledge of the world.

I was one of those kids for whom there is no greater perfume than an inkpot or a chalk-filled eraser. I spent the summers wishing for September.

Those hot August afternoons, when all you could hear were crickets—heat bugs we used to call them—piercing the air with their shrill sounds, the occasional harumph of a bullfrog, the sensuous lap of gentle waves caressing the shore, were music to my ears. September was not far away.

I would steal away with a book to the swing by the lake and dream about the day I might write a book. Then I would think, "Whatever will I write about? I don't know anything." If only summer would hurry up and pass, I could get back to school and learn some more.

Grade school was arithmetic and spelling, reading and writing, penmanship, geography and history, bigger desks as you reached each grade.

High school was a magnificent building of gray stone with wonderful gables and inside, deep window seats in the library where you could hide away with a book. Lush green lawns stretched away to the playing fields where we learned how to get along on the basketball courts, lacrosse fields and ice hockey rinks in winter.

Here was the history of the world, French, Latin and Greek, algebra and trigonometry, chemistry and physics and all of English literature. I had a Latin teacher who in her black robe and mortar board looked for all the world like pictures of a Roman senator. Our plump little French teacher would not tolerate English in her classroom.

On the the third floor of one wing of the school was the arts and crafts department. Academics were stressed so if you wanted to dabble in those wonderful paints, you had to do it after school hours. I used to stay Friday afternoons to learn painting.

College was hectic after the sheltered life of a private girls school. Suddenly you were plummeted into a half-adult situation. It was still school and the subjects to be learned were even



A SIGN OF FALL, pumpkins are for sale in Carmel Valley.

more tantalizing, but now there was a feeling of getting serious about life. All the questions were suddenly bigger and more important while the search for the answers became intense.

Even on the Monterey Peninsula, the leaves of the deciduous trees have turned golden, the poison oak red. The ocean has become a bit more active after lolling around like a pond all summer. I detect a bit of chill in the air. It is still dark at 6:30 a.m. Beautiful September is here.

Carmel Valley is taking on its fall colors. The pumpkins are piling up in the fields. The corn stalks are drying in the wind. Grapes are being harvested for wine-making. There was a full moon last week after so many nights when the sky was clouded with fog.

My mother didn't have school to go back to in September but she always seemed excited about the end of summer. She would start knitting socks and sweaters, do her fall housecleaning and wind up cooking the summer's bounty to be stored away for the cold, dark days of winter.

Coming home from school, we would find the kitchen filled with steaming cauldrons of chili sauce and relishes. Downstairs in the basement, my mother had a huge crock pot that she kept feeding with vegetables. It was her "Lazy Housewife's Pickle" recipe. All you did was combine vinegar and spices and add baby onions or tiny cucumbers or little cauliflower rosettes to

the mixture once a day for about two weeks and give it a stir. Somehow it all pickled itself, bubbling away in the dark.

I used to get the job occasionally of taking a cup full of vegetables down to be added to this witches brew. The crock sat in a corner of a storeroom area where the shelves in September were always packed with colorful jars full of my mother's summer labors. Strawberry and raspberry jam, blackberry jelly, plum preserves, mustard pickles and the chili sauce of tomatoes and hot peppers which we ate with almost every meal.

My Scottish mother never ate a pickle or relish in her life. She grew up thinking vinegary things were bad for you but she filled our meals with these tasty treats to please my father. How she made them so perfectly without ever tasting one testified to her cooking skills. I used to watch the tear rolls down her face as she peeled the onions, something else she would never eat.

Those crisp fall days we would come home from school to a house filled with the rich smells of an apple pie baking, yeasty fresh bread cooling and vegetable beef soup simmering on the stove. To this day, whenever it seems a bit cool I make this hearty soup full of tomatoes and carrots, celery, onions and potatoes all simmered in a beefy broth and sprinkled with dark green parsley.

I introduced Stan to it years ago at a romantic inn in the Laurentien Mountains. Probably everyone makes some version of the "soupy-stew" that for us has become a special dish. But, as my mother cooked to please my father, I also make him a Texas chili when the temperature drops.

I'm quite sure it isn't going to snow anytime soon around here but, if it does, I'll be ready for it.

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School Enrollment Up Nearly 100

Carmel School Superintendent Vance Baldwin said district enrollment increased to 2,289 students this fall compared to 2,195 when schools closed last spring.

At the school board meeting Sept. 10, Baldwin reported the current enrollment is the highest since 1982-83 when 2,394 students attended district schools. The all-time high was in 1974-75 when average daily attendance was 3,218.

The school district closed two elementary schools, Carmelo and Woods, in the spring of 1982 when the student population was dropping. At the time, officials said they did not think the elementary school population would grow due to the high cost of real estate in the area which they said would prevent young families from moving in.

But new portable classrooms have been pressed into use at both Tularcitos and River School this fall to accommodate the growing elementary school population at both schools.

The number of students increased at every school this fall. Big Sur's Captain Cooper has 75 elementary students, up from 68 last spring. River has 458, an increase from 451. Tularcitos has 500, up from 490 students last year. Carmel Middle School has 550 students, up from 522. The high school population rose to 643 from 612.

Carmel Valley, the alternative high school, is already operating at its full enrollment of 45, Baldwin said. Typically it starts the school year with a smaller enrollment and reaches its capacity later in the year as students transfer from the regular high school program.

Tularcitos has 18 special education students this year, compared with 19 a year ago. Baldwin said Tularcitos has three kindergarten classes with 31, 30 and 24 students. The class of 24 is so much smaller because it is housed in a much smaller classroom, school officials said.

"If I had a kindergarten class with

30 students in it, I'd be standing at your door hollering," said board member Patricia Herro.

"There are aides in the classes, but it is high," Baldwin acknowledged.

The average class size at each elementary school is 25 students. The 18 special education students at Tularcitos spend part of each school day in a regular class, but they are not included in the class size average.

Health Cost Likely High on School Board's Priorities

One of the Carmel school board's goals for 1992-93 is almost certain to be evaluation of its health insurance program for employees.

"This objective will focus on cost containment, alternative delivery systems, and funding," said a draft of the board's goals.

The board will discuss adoption of its objectives at its Sept. 24 meeting at the Carmel Middle School Library at 7 p.m. A draft was available at the board's Sept. 10 meeting, but members postponed consideration of it due to Chairman Hilton Bialek's absence.

The district estimates health costs for employees will approach \$2 million during the 1992-93 school year, the third year the district has been in a self-insurance program which pays 100 percent of health costs for district employees and their spouses.

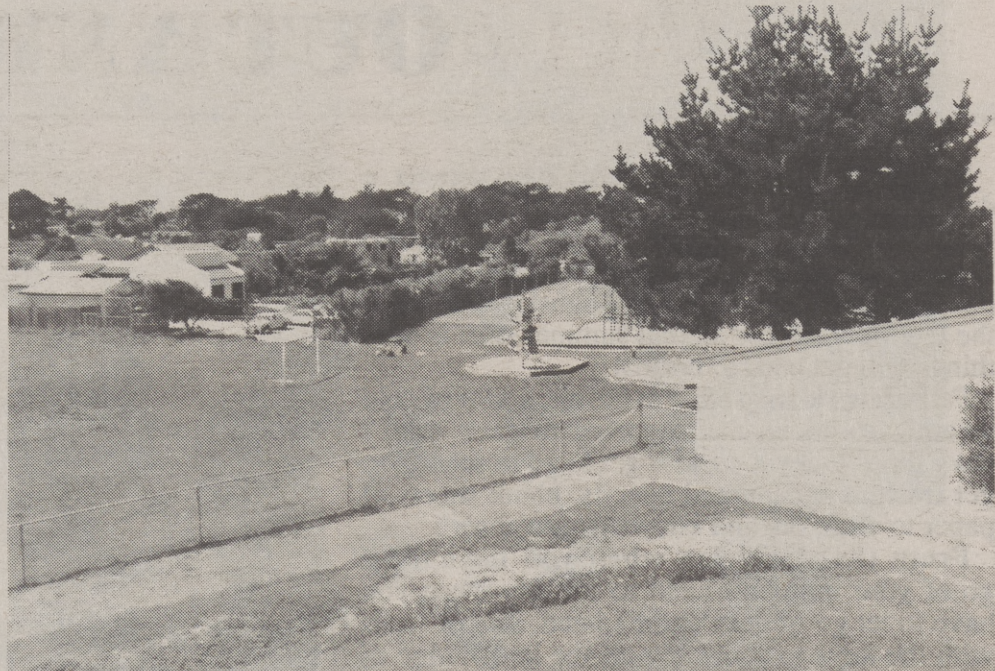
The district was formerly in a Monterey County joint powers authority health insurance program, but switched to self-insurance to save money.

District officials have expressed concern with the increasing cost of its program.

Another goal which will be taken up is long range planning for the district with public forums to allow residents to express their concerns.

The board also wants to define elementary curriculum priorities to solve the problem of an increasingly full curriculum due to state and local mandates.

The board also would like to provide programs for staff to help them understand multicultural issues and to better meet the needs of a growing limited-English speaking population.



RIVER SCHOOL IS ADJACENT TO MISSION RANCH, the resort property purchased in 1986 and extensively remodeled by former Mayor Clint Eastwood who has expressed some interest in its purchase. Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

River School Contract Questioned

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Pinney said. "If this rolls, people in our community would like to have a shot at the development."

Baldwin said he was not comfortable with creation of an advisory group. "We did ask this company to do a job, and I wouldn't want to complicate it at this point."

"It is implied that local people would get a shot at it," Pinney said of the sale of the school.

"No, I don't think it is implied," Gray replied.

Pinney, a contractor, said local people would be hard pressed to catch up on the project unless they have early information about it.

"The intent here is these people are going to carry this to completion," Baldwin said.

Judy Long, CUSD director of business and special services, later told *The Sun* that Enshallah was a rather unique company offering a combination of accounting, broker, and attorney services plus their history of school site sales. "They've got a pretty impressive track record and experience in working with communities and community members," Long said. "The school district strongly agrees in supporting local business," she said. But this particular firm brings a very unusual combination of experience and services.

The school board approved a six-phase contract in June calling for the 3 percent marketing fee. A clause in the contract specifies that it may be cancelled at any time, and the board said at the time, it would take the process of selling River School step by step.

During the first phase, Enshallah determined that selling the school was feasible. The company also determined the market value of the parcel and met with regional, county and city officials to deter-

mine land use policies and restrictions which might apply. The company researched the wetlands issue to determine the number of developable acres on the 9.5-acre school parcel. It was also charged with determining the cost of building a new school.

Steinberg told the board that four to five acres of the parcel are protected wetlands. She said if four acres were developed, each acre could be divided into four parcels, creating 16 single family home sites.

She also talked about the possibility of selling the school to Clint Eastwood's Mission Ranch, a restaurant and motel which adjoins the school. One of Eastwood's associates, Alan Williams, has said Mission Ranch would be interested in expansion.

Local Realtors estimated that single family sites could be sold for \$350,000 to \$400,000. If 16 lots were sold at \$375,000 each, the sale would bring in \$6 million.

Steinberg reported that traffic and water would be hurdles to overcome, but that she did not believe they were insurmountable.

Board member Pat Condren said she would like to see the water issues emphasized in the second phase of the project.

The contract with Enshallah states that during the second phase the company will analyze alternative options for the site, present written recommendations and a specific timeline to the staff and board.

The company will also make a recommendation on seeking a General Plan amendment for rezoning. The site is currently zoned public/quasi public and would require residential zoning to allow for development.

Enshallah will also make recommendations on whether to sell the site as raw acreage or as improved lots and formal bidding versus requesting proposals.

Lottery Payments Plummet

State lottery payments to Carmel schools have dropped by \$100 per student since they were initiated in 1988-89.

Superintendent Vance Baldwin said the lottery funds dropped to \$77 per student during the 1991-92 school year, compared to a high of \$178 for each student the first year of the lottery.

Carmel collected \$189,000 from the lottery last year, compared to \$416,000 the first year it operated.

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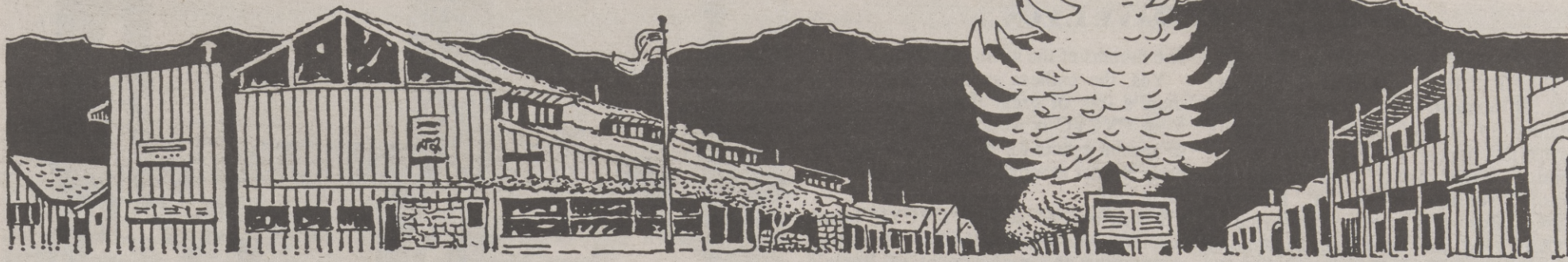
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By Dave Lyon

NEWS FLASH...DATELINE CARMEL VALLEY...UFO's seen over Robles Del Rio...El Hemmorro resident reports his dog beamed-up aliens...Three-headed extra terrestrials appear seeking tickets to upcoming Surfin' Safari concert...Dozens report seeing Elvis at Randy's Market...Bush says economy improving...

Okay gang, last time I get to mention this...Sunday, Sept. 27, is the totally outrageous CVCYC Surfin' Safari Concert, free at the Carmel Valley Community Center Park. (Well, free to locals, interstellar aliens will be charged a dollar.)

This event is going to be big, big, big! How big? This is going to be WAAAY big! Would you believe live music all afternoon, game booths, lots of food, cold beer and tropical drinks, the mad limbo line, our famous ugly Hawaiian shirt contest (for aliens we will have the "Ugly space-suit contest) a street-hockey exhibition (on roller blades, really!) and endless fun for everyone! The names of all people missing this big event will be published in the Sun.

AND NOW FOR THE SPORTS NEWS...Following his complete failure as a Texas Ranger, former baseball great Jose Canseco this week announced his decision to renounce the game and has applied to the CVCYC as a local sports advisor and adult role model. CVCYC board member and Little League coach Tony Glanville had no immediate reaction to the news; said Glanville, "I told Jose I'd get back to him..."

Which reminds me...the excellent times continue at the pool, which, as you all now know, will be open through the end of next month! (Isn't this great? They're freezing in Minnesota, and we're all hangin' here in tropical paradise.) September and October can be the best weather months here in Carmel Valley Don't miss the up-coming Indian Summer, brought to you by your CVCYC, and the pool is the best place to enjoy them! Call the Valley pool at 659-2606 for info on what's going on these last two months of the swim season!

two months of the swim season!

Yes, the endless summer is over, but there's lots of great things coming up! Your CVCYC is working on a multitude of special events for this Fall and into the early Winter months. Watch this space for more info!

I was one of several CVCYC board members who attended the Sept. 3 meeting concerning the replacement of Rosie's (Esquiline) bridge. The up-shot of more than two years of discussion is that the Esquiline bridge will be replaced, but perhaps not for another two years. The over-riding concern at the town meeting was "what can we do in the meanwhile to make this old bridge safer for our children?" Off the record here, I would like to urge each and every parent in the Robles Del Rio area to remind their children to be very careful while crossing the bridge.

There just isn't a safe walkway across for kids on foot or on bikes, and our kids should be warned not to count on cars slowing for them. The other side of this calls for all of us who drive the bridge to be extra careful and watch for kids trying to get across. Remember, school is open again, and the bridge is being used more than ever by children going to and from school.

If we all take the time to be just a little more careful, we can make this a safe bridge for our children until the new structure can be built. As Stew would put it, "nuf said."

That's it 'til next time, gang. Don't miss Surfin' Safari Sept. 27th (Elvis couldn't make it; he was busy, really.)

Donations to CVCYC

The Carmel Valley Community Center said a news conference will be held during the Surfin' Safari Sept. 27 at which donations to the center will be announced by Monterey County, Carmel Valley Rotary and Carmel Valley Kiwanis. The presentations will be a 3 p.m.



RECEIVING AN AWARD for 15 years service was Margaret Pelikan, director of Harrison Memorial Library. Mayor Ken White presented Pelikan with a plaque at the City Council meeting Sept. 1.
Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

Boronda 4-H Fair Winners Announced

Javier Silva, a member of the Boronda 4-H club, placed first in overall livestock judging at the Monterey County Fair.

Russell Carter, the club's correspondent, also reported that Silva finished tenth in senior swine showmanship, while Leticia Silva won second in her market hog weight class and was seventh in senior swine showmanship.

Other Boronda winners included: Melissa Paquin, 6th sheep showmanship, 1st ceramics, 2nd sewing; Christopher Paquin, 1st ceramics; Kelly Paquin, 3rd junior sheep showmanship, 2nd junior swine showmanship, 1st junior goat showmanship, 1st senior goat showmanship, 1st intermediate sewing, 1st ceramics, 1st arts and crafts, 3rd goats 5 years and over; 3rd spring lambs, 2nd spring ram lambs, 1st spring ewe lambs,

3rd pair ram lambs, 2nd pair ewe lambs.

Also, Caleb Hussey, 1st ceramics, 1st arts and crafts; Cara Hussey, 1st ceramics, 1st arts and crafts; Alma Plata, 1st cooking; Geneson Agbayoni, 1st ceramics; Aileen Agbayoni, 1st sewing, 1st arts and crafts, best of show-sewing; Crystal Abayoni, 1st arts and crafts, 1st sewing; Valerie Carter, 2nd tablesettings, three 1sts in cooking; Russell Carter two 1st cooking, 3rd cooking.

Youth Shines at State Fair

Christopher Paquin, 12, a member of Carmel Valley's Boronda 4-H Club, finished seventh in junior swine showmanship at the state fair in Sacramento, and his Yorkshire pig, Ester, finished second in the fall pig class.

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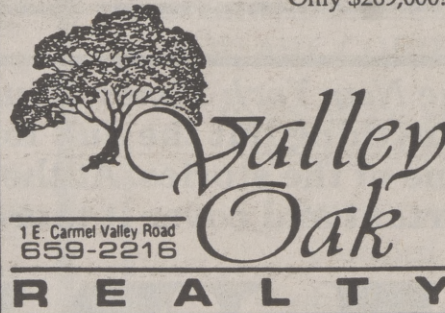
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The Sun makes every effort to report these sales accurately, but anyone should consult a Realtor or other investment professional before taking action based on this information.

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CARPENTER STREET. Richard M. and Bertha E. Zahn to Gerard A. and Catherine A. Dube. \$205,000.

SAN ANTONIO AVENUE. Heather Wright to George M. and Linda C. Yellich. \$1,250,000.

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24530 SAN LUIS AVENUE. Michael L. and Cleo Drozen to John and Lori M. Aiello. \$250,000.

156 CARMEL RIVIERA DRIVE. Susan E. Nilmeier to Susan E. Parodi. \$414,000.

YANKEE POINT ACRES. Bob J. and

Nadine D. Wright to Frank A. and Loretta E. Dittich. \$545,000.

PALOU AVENUE. Douglas J. and Carmela M. Bowns Schmitz to Roy E. and Christina Killgore. \$350,000.

3284 SAN LUIS AVENUE. Frank Troia to Joseph R. and Karen E. Russell. \$543,500.

BERWICK MANOR. Betsy B. Bennett to William and Robyn R. Alioto. \$165,000.

Pacific Grove

26 C STREET. Hazel G. Bolt to Ardis E. Soma. \$250,000.

Pebble Beach

2 BENBOW PLACE. Li-Lin Hsu to Paul F. and Virginia C. Deihle. \$780,000.

2877 FOREST LODGE ROAD. Vera C. Pollard to Peter M. and Barbara L. Risoen. \$350,000.

2983 QUARRY ROAD. Thomas L. Stevens to Peter G. and Sheila Alberts. \$415,000.

MIDWOOD LANE. Maria E. Vargas to Madeleine C. Damon. \$1,850,000.

CUSD Ends Year with \$2.4 Million Surplus

The Carmel Unified School District ended its school year with a \$2.4 million surplus, but that doesn't mean it can go on a spending spree, according to Judy Long, director of business and special services.

Of the surplus, she said \$693,943 is the amount on hand for discretionary spending. Of the rest, \$851,580 has been designated for economic uncertainties and \$196,601 is set aside by state mandate for the purchase of state adopted textbooks.

She said several events combined to create the surplus which compared to a carryover of \$1,187,610 the previous year. She said the greater surplus resulted from the district receiving more local property tax revenue than expected, getting a \$160,000 rebate from the state for being overcharged for retiree benefits over a period of years, close watch on expenditures by the school staff and use of fewer substitute teachers than expected.

Also, she said the county's long term investments of the school's cash balances provided a good rate of interest in the last

two quarters. The district also received \$55,000 from the state for asbestos removal which it will have to repay in 1994, Long said.

She said the school district could not expect to be so fortunate two years in a row.

The district had set aside \$200,000 until the disputed assessment of Pebble Beach properties was finalized. The county initially paid the school based on an \$866 million Pebble Beach assessment, but the assessment has now been settled at \$600 million for the 18-month period Ben Hogan Properties owned the company.

Long said the district will have to repay the county \$160,000 to \$175,000 as a result of the lower assessment.

The board has adopted a \$16.5 million budget for 1992-93 with estimated expenditures projected at \$13,284,947.

Total expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1991 were \$12,933,672. Expenditures rose to \$13,332,756 during the 1991-92 fiscal year.

Jewelry Store Welcomed to Carmel

The Carmel Planning Commission welcomed a new jewelry store to the city with open arms Sept. 9 despite the fact it already has 35 to 40.

Sarkis Sakiz was showered with compliments when he applied to move his store from the Crossroads to The Mall Courtyard off San Carlos between Fifth and Sixth Avenues.

However, Commissioner Ed Jordan said he felt it was ironic that the commission was even hearing such an application. "If we had finished the commercial zoning study, we would have established a limit on jewelry stores and would not be discussing this."

Sakiz, who said he was moving from his Crossroads Jewelry Co. after 10 years because many of his customers were in Carmel, was given a use permit on a 6-0 vote.

His jewelry designs were praised by Chairwoman Carla Ramsey. Vice Chairman Jack Kennedy said the store will be "a real asset to the community," and Commissioner Lindsay Hanna, who checked out the store at the Crossroads, said, "It was perfectly lovely...I welcome it."

Sakiz' operation fits precisely the city's criteria for jewelry stores, one of the business uses the city has sought to limit as catering to tourists. He offers a full service jewelry store with custom design, repair and craft work on the premises that meets the city's intent to provide a mix of businesses for local and visitor customers alike.

He will move into the 550-square foot space occupied by Yager Heller who had a permit for a "miscellaneous home furnishings" store.

Also approved was a use permit for a theme store called Tucano offering arts and crafts, apparel, jewelry and stationery from Central and South America. It will replace Hilda of Iceland on the east side of Ocean between San Carlos and Dolores.

The commission gave unanimous approval to a Ridgewood homeowners request for a bar sink in the lower level of his house.

"We all have a right of quiet enjoyment of our property," said Commissioner Brian

Congleton. "If there's a problem, I'm sure the neighbors will come forward."

The request by William Uncapher had been opposed by Assistant Planner Rick Tooker who said the floor plan for the lower floor demonstrated its propensity for conversion into an independent living unit which could easily be closed off from the main floor. Tooker said portions of the lower floor had been used as subordinate units in the past with separate exterior access and independent cooking facilities.

Budget Proposed

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\$47,000 this year and \$117,000 next year.

She said she could not disclose the names or positions, explaining D'Ambrosio still had to discuss the matter with department heads.

No employees expressed any interest in a previous offer of early retirement, she said.

Davenport confirmed that the only cut in the city budget as a result of the state budget was \$108,272 from city property tax revenues. Earlier it had been feared as much as \$228,000 might be lost.

She would not say how much money the city was going to collect in reimbursement from PERS funds. As part of the state budget process in 1991-92, PERS employers like the city of Carmel were given savings achieved by the fund. The refunded money must be used only for future PERS contributions, but the refund will allow the city to spend money saved for such contributions on other items, Davenport explained.

The city said a copy of the budget can be reviewed at City Hall and at the Park Branch of the Harrison Memorial Library starting Friday.

Any member of the public who wants a copy must purchase it from Copies-by-the-Sea on Dolores and Fifth Avenue or by calling 624-6223, officials said.

Tree Pruning Demonstration

A demonstration of tree pruning techniques will be conducted Saturday by Cliff Hatch of Carmel's Forest and Beach Department at 10 a.m. at Forest Hill Park, 1st Avenue and Camino del Monte.

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Council Agrees to Investigate Hodges Debt Paydown

Continued from front page

Controversial from the start, the purchase of the 6.5 acres from the Rosella S. Hodges Trust for \$1.75 million to be paid in 20-year installments continues to be a bone of contention between city officials and two citizens' groups, Voice of Carmel and Carmel Citizens for Good Government. The two groups complain the purchase is representative of the city's free-spending ways.

In a letter to Dinkelspiel, Belmont & Co., Inc. of San Francisco, the city's financial adviser on the transaction, the Smiths said, "When this money was being applied for, the City of Carmel answered 'No' when they were asked if any portion of the proceeds of the debt was for refunding."

A copy of the letter delivered to Mayor Ken White, said the agreement stated the city would apply the proceeds of \$850,000 in Certificates of Participation borrowed for the purchase "to the purposes specified in the trust agreement."

Of the total \$850,000, \$200,000 was used for a down payment and \$167,000 for bond consultant fees, closing costs and preliminary design fees with the remainder earmarked for park improvements.

Acting City Administrator Greg

D'Ambrosio said Dinkelspiel had confirmed that such a proposal would be possible and would result in annual savings to the city of approximately \$40,000 in debt service for the remaining years of the agreement.

"If it appears that the penalty clause is applicable, the paydown of the principal on the Installment Sale would be made after Jan. 2, 1995, when the five-year penalty has lapsed," D'Ambrosio told the council. If it does not apply, he said documents could be prepared for paydown next February.

A statement setting forth terms of the land contract and certificates of participation signed Jan. 30, 1990, by former Mayor Jean Grace, states in part: "The Reserve Fund has been established as a reserve...and is not available for payment of the Installment Payments...The financial advisor has represented that the establishment of the Reserve Fund...was vital to the marketing of the Certificates..."

"We have been advised to request an IRS ruling on the tax exempt status of our interest income from this sale, should the city go ahead and violate the terms of their agreement by paying down principal with monies from their Acquisition and

Improvement fund," the Smiths said.

"The feeling is that these actions could trigger a reversal of the tax exempt status thereby making us liable for the back taxes. Should this occur, we will gain an additional \$250,000 from the city which will, we hope, pay these back taxes."

"It appears to us that the city is again trying to put one over on its good citizens," the Smiths said. "Only in Carmel could this type of thing happen. In any event, we will proceed to request a firm ruling from the IRS."

They also pointed out that part of the agreement which set forth how the borrowed funds should be spent also went on to tell "in a real lie" how the whole project would be finished by Jan. 1, 1991.

The Smiths told Dinkelspiel that after a long meeting with their accountant and attorney, "A feeling developed that given the potential clear violations of some of the various agreements covering the sale of the Hodges property and the financing thereof, a possible danger to the Hodges interests could occur." They did not question the city's right to prepay some of the principal, but just its using the borrowed money for that purpose.

Only preliminary design work has been done on the proposed park. Of the total 6.5

acres, just the 4.5 acres north of the Carmel River would be used.

At the time the land was purchased, the city thought it might be able to get enough revenue to handle the debt from the still-pending project to pipe reclaimed water from the Carmel Area Wastewater Treatment District through city streets for use on Pebble Beach golf courses.

D'Ambrosio said the project now was tentatively scheduled to start early next year and should take about 18 months to complete. "In return for temporary use of the property, these agencies have agreed to pay \$100,000 to the city," D'Ambrosio said. "The funds are restricted for use only for Rio Park improvements, and should be adequate for commencing some work on the contemplated long-term development plan."

The only public comment at the brief hearing came from Pat Sippel, president of the Voice of Carmel, and former Mayor Barney Laiolo.

Saying he did not think the council was fully informed, Laiolo said it was not the right time to get out of the deal. "You're not going to save money in the long run," he said. "And you shouldn't be fooling around with whatever money is in the treasury at 5 percent."

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

**SUPERIOR COURT
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MONTEREY**
Case No. M24643
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CCP1277
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Filed August 21, 1992
Date: October 9, 1992
Time: 9:30 am
Dept: Law & Motion

IN THE MATTER of the Application of Christi Venter, Petitioner, and KIRI AUDREY TAYLOR (Venter) and PHILLIP TREVOR TAYLOR (Venter), minors/applicants, BY: CHRISTI VENTER, their Natural Mother, for Change of Name WHEREAS CHRISTI VENTER, Petitioner, and natural mother of applicants KIRI AUDREY TAYLOR (Venter) and PHILLIP TREVOR TAYLOR (Venter), minors, has filed a petition with the Clerk of this court for a decree changing Petitioner's and Applicant's names from: CHRISTI VENTER to CHRISTIANNA ALEXANDRE, KIRI AUDREY TAYLOR (Venter) to KIRI AUDREY ALEXANDRE, and PHILLIP TREVOR TAYLOR (Venter) to PHILLIP TREVOR ALEXANDRE.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in the Law and Motion Department of this court, located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940, on October 9, 1992 at 9:30 A.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in the Carmel Valley Sun, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.

DATED: August 21, 1992

JOHN M. PHILLIPS

Judge of the Superior Court

Published: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24, 1992.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed August 14, 1992
File No. F921368
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Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on August 1, 1992.

(s) Robert Allen, Vice President Vanguard Ambulance Service
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CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original in my office.
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Filed September 8, 1992
File No. F921495
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BARRATT H. ROWLEY
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(s) Barratt H. Rowley
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Filed September 8, 1992
File No. F921493
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JOHN ERIC MOSS
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Filed August 7, 1992
File No. F921335
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(s) Darlene Wright
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(s) James A. Petralia, President
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Filed September 8, 1992
File No. F921503
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(s) Barbara Jones
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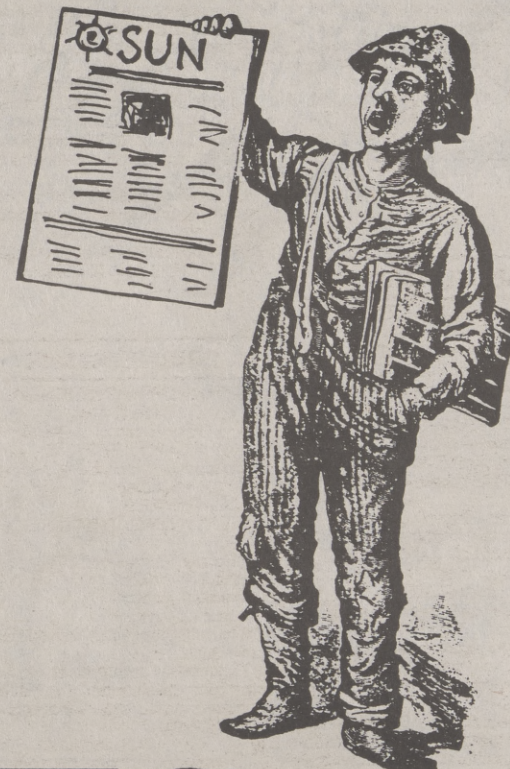
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Carmel Notches Easy Opening Grid Win

Jeff Saunders rushed for three scores and had a pretty 27-yard TD called back while his defensive teammates picked off three passes in Carmel's 30-7 opening-game win over Harbor High of Santa Cruz.

Padre Coach Craig Johnston called it a "good start for the season" although Harbor hasn't won since 1988. But he added, "It's really hard to tell how good the team is going to be. The real test will be against Santa Cruz this weekend."

In addition to Saunders' running and the stingy defense, quarterback Robert Shaffer, starting his first regular game in place of injured John Giesler, completed 10 of 17 passes good for 130 yards. He did throw one interception.

Giesler was set to start at quarterback, but broke his little finger on his right hand in a pickup game and will miss about half the season. "Robert Shaffer stepped in and did a great job directing the team," Johnston said.

Saunders picked up 64 yards rushing on 10 carries. His scoring jaunts were 2, 3 and 8 yards. But his niftiest run of the day was called back because of a clipping penalty.

Young Padres Win Opener

Ryan Sanchez threw for three touchdowns as Carmel's freshman/sophomore football team whipped Harbor High 22-12 Saturday. He connected with Brett Eyerman, Johnny Martine and Brent Carlson for TDs.

Juan Cortina and Carlson also hauled in two-point conversion passes.

Coach John Ables praised Paul Lewellen, Bart Rowley, Jose Cortina and Joey Ringer for outstanding play.

The team will play Santa Cruz High School at Santa Cruz on Saturday. Ables said the game was originally scheduled for Friday night but has been reset for Saturday.

On defense, Larry Brooks, Anthony Herro and Dan Silva each came up with an interception. Carmel gave up just one completion, good for 14 yards. On the ground, Harbor managed just 123 yards.

Another bright spot for Carmel was the kicking of Jonathan Spaulding. He hit on both his extra point tries and a final quarter field goal from 28 yards away. "Our kicking game was really good," Johnston said.

But the Padres did suffer several mental

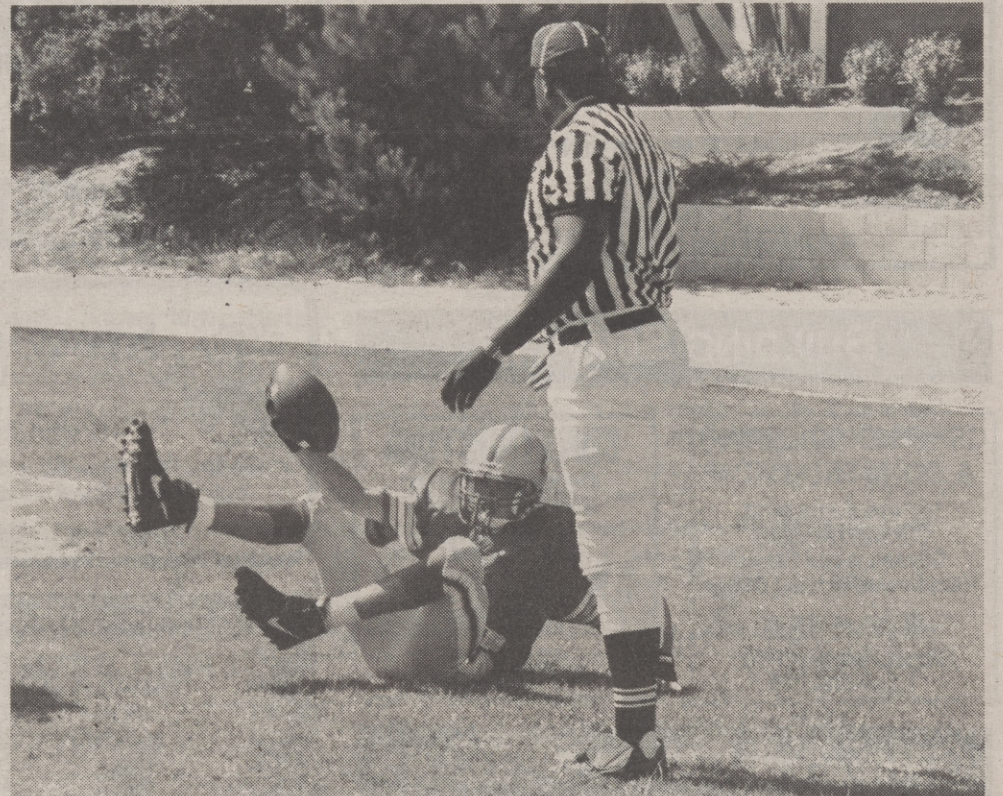
lapses. In addition to the clipping call that nullified the one Saunders score, the team was penalized eight times for 80 yards.

Miscues seemed for a while about to cost Carmel its first score. After a credible opening drive, three successive penalties had Carmel going backwards before B. J. Boehlje grabbed a nine yard pass from Brian Purdy in the back of the end zone to get the Padres on the board.

The Padres play Santa Cruz Friday night at Santa Cruz in a non-league game.



COACH CRAIG JOHNSTON



SCORING CARMEL'S FIRST TD of the season, B. J. Boehlje shows he held onto the ball as he fell out of the end zone. Watching, the ref is ready to raise his arms signaling the score. Carmel opened its season with a 30-7 win over Harbor High of Santa Cruz. The Padres travel to Santa Cruz Friday night for another non-league contest.

Sun photo by Stan Hall

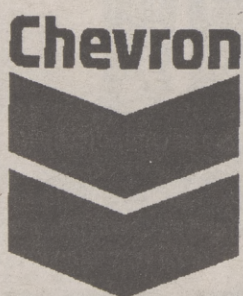
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